

## IMPORTANT MEETING HERE LAST THURSDAY

A Southeast Missouri branch of the Associated Industries of Missouri was organized on April 10, at Sikeston.

Representatives from Cape Girardeau, Mississippi, Scott, Stoddard, Butler, New Madrid, Dunklin and Pemiscot County attended this conference which was called for the purpose of arranging plans to closer align labor conditions in Southeast Missouri.

W. R. Schneider of St. Louis, an authority on Workmen's Compensation legislation fully explained the proposed Workmen's Compensation Act that is sponsored by Organized Labor and which will be submitted to the voters at the November election. He states that if such a law was enacted that it would increase the liability premiums of the manufacturers of this state at least 100 per cent and would possibly drive many of the industries of Missouri to neighboring states, owing to the fair liability insurance rates in those states.

At the Sikeston Conference it was planned to arrange complete organization in the eight counties that were represented at the meeting. The following officers were elected: C. L. Harrison of Cape Girardeau was elected chairman; Frank Dillman, Caruthersville, Vice Chairman, and M. G. LaPierre, of Jackson, Secretary. The Executive Committee named follows: Lyman Bowman and John Young, Sikeston; E. W. Flentge and Otto Kochitzky, Cape Girardeau; Harry Litzenfeller and Wm. Cryslar, Caruthersville; F. G. Zillmer, Morehouse; Oscar Fuller, Portageville; E. A. Loud, New Madrid; W. S. Meentemeyer, Gideon; Joshep Ashcroft and H. J. Morrison, Poplar Bluff and W. G. Holloway and A. S. Holit of Charleston. Edmund P. Crowe of Dexter was made Director of Publicity for the committee.

Among those present from Sikeston were: Charles F. McMullin, C. D. Matthews, Clarence Bruton, L. R. Bowman, J. N. Ross, W. C. Bowman, H. E. Lehman, G. M. Greer, Thos. B. Dudley, W. L. Hutters, Robert D. Mow, A. Cravens, D. B. Kevil and B. J. Sands.

From Cape Girardeau: J. M. Robinson, J. G. Thompson, E. B. Stone, Otto Kochitzky, John H. Himmelberger, C. R. Brabmiller, John H. Friant, C. W. Bowtin, Melvin Rodebaugh, H. J. Himmelberger, Geo. C. Bolz, E. W. Flentge, Julian Friant.

From Caruthersville: F. J. Cunningham, Frank Dillman, Joseph Ahern, R. H. Fench, W. M. Cryslar.

From Morehouse: F. G. Zillmer, D. L. Fisher, John Porter.

From East Prairie: W. W. Bledsoe, C. D. Mitchell.

From Portageville: J. D. Parker, T. A. Penman, Oscar Fuller.

From Jackson: J. R. Bowman, R. M. McCombs, M. G. La Pierre, W. G. Niblack.

From Poplar Bluff: H. I. Ruth.

From Parma: Everett B. Gee.

From Dexter: E. C. Mohrstadt, E. P. Crowe and M. T. Minton.

From Illinois: Maurice H. Tripp.

From New Madrid: L. A. Lewis, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wescoat of Matthews spent Friday evening here.

Cecil Reed was a visitor at the home of his sister, Mrs. Bill Malone, Friday evening.

Mrs. Roger Jones, Misses Elise Smart, Lois Willet and Willie Richards of New Madrid attended "Flaming Youth" at the Malone Theatre, in this city, Friday evening.

Marshal Cagle and Miss Hazel Wilson spent Sunday in Cape Girardeau.

The highest tides occur when the attractions of the sun and the moon act in unison. The moon, being closer to the earth than the sun, has the strongest attraction or "pulling power", but the sun pulls the water also, and it is when they pull together in the same direction that the highest tides occur.

Mrs. A. C. Etzel was relieved of her purse Saturday night on the street by an unknown man. Mrs. Etzel and Mrs. Ella Williams were returning home from Mrs. Mary Priddy's, when they noticed someone following them. When they reached the corner at the Catholic church, the man grabbed her purse and fled. The police was notified at once, but no trace could be found. The purse was found Sunday morning on top of a coal shed in the alley, back of the Catholic church where the man had thrown it in his get-away.

## PAVING FISK ROAD MOVING ALONG FAST

Work of laying concrete on the east highway is progressing fast this week. A. W. Robertson of the Energy Construction Company, stated today that a large force of men worked yesterday on the highway, taking advantage of the good weather to speed the work as much as possible.

The work started last Thursday, but actual paving operations started only yesterday. Today the concrete laying machine, a new and large piece of machinery, was grinding out the concrete, pouring and tamping it. This machine, purchased last year by the Energy company, is a wonderful improvement over the old style and equipment formerly used for this work.

The contractors hope to have the work completed by July 1, and with favorable weather it is considered highly probable that the road will be opened shortly after that date.

The Fisk highway will open a large trade territory for Poplar Bluff. Farmers heretofore unable to get to Poplar Bluff in winter months because of the road conditions, will be enabled to travel at all months of the year.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

### Slapped by Woman

Poplar Bluff, Mo., April 10.—Frank B. Newton, state division highway engineer, was attacked in the Ducker Hotel here Tuesday night by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McElroy of Kennett, Mo. Mrs. McElroy had made the statement that she intended to "smack" Newton the first time she saw him. Visiting in Poplar Bluff Tuesday she saw Newton in the lobby of the Ducker Hotel. She entered and approached him and struck him in the face. He grasped her hands and at just this moment her husband stepped up and struck Newton in the face, knocking him against the elevator cage. In striking the cage an ugly wound was cut in Newton's forehead. He did not attempt to defend himself, for the reason, he said, that he did not have his glasses on, and having defective vision he could not see, together by being stunned by the blow.

Newton says the trouble grew out of two road contracts in Dunklin County, over which McElroy was superintendent. He said the work was progressing slowly and in the opinion of the people of Dunklin County, should be done. They registered a vigorous protest, individually and through the Lions Club and other civic organizations at Kennett. The complaint went to the state highway department and Newton, as he chief official in his district, was told to investigate it. Newton said he investigated the trouble and saw the work was dragging, and so notified the bonding company that the contractor had defaulted. The bonding house then ordered the state to make no more payments on the work. Soon after McElroy was relieved.

Mrs. McElroy said she slapped Newton "because he had ruined her husband's reputation as a contractor in this section of the state, had caused and had taken break out of the mouths of her child, her husband and herself."

H. H. Jordan of Charleston spent Friday here on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Putman, who are en route from St. Louis to their home at Campbell, are spending a few days with the former's mother, Mrs. Putman of this city.

Mrs. Martha Steward, age 64 years, died at her home of Trotter street, early Saturday morning. Mrs. Steward had been in ill health for some time. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. R. D. Baker, a brother, Jas. Wilburn and nieces, Mrs. Geo. Winters of New Madrid and Mrs. Summers, of Canolou. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the residence at 2:30, by Rev. T. B. Mather. Interment in the City Cemetery.

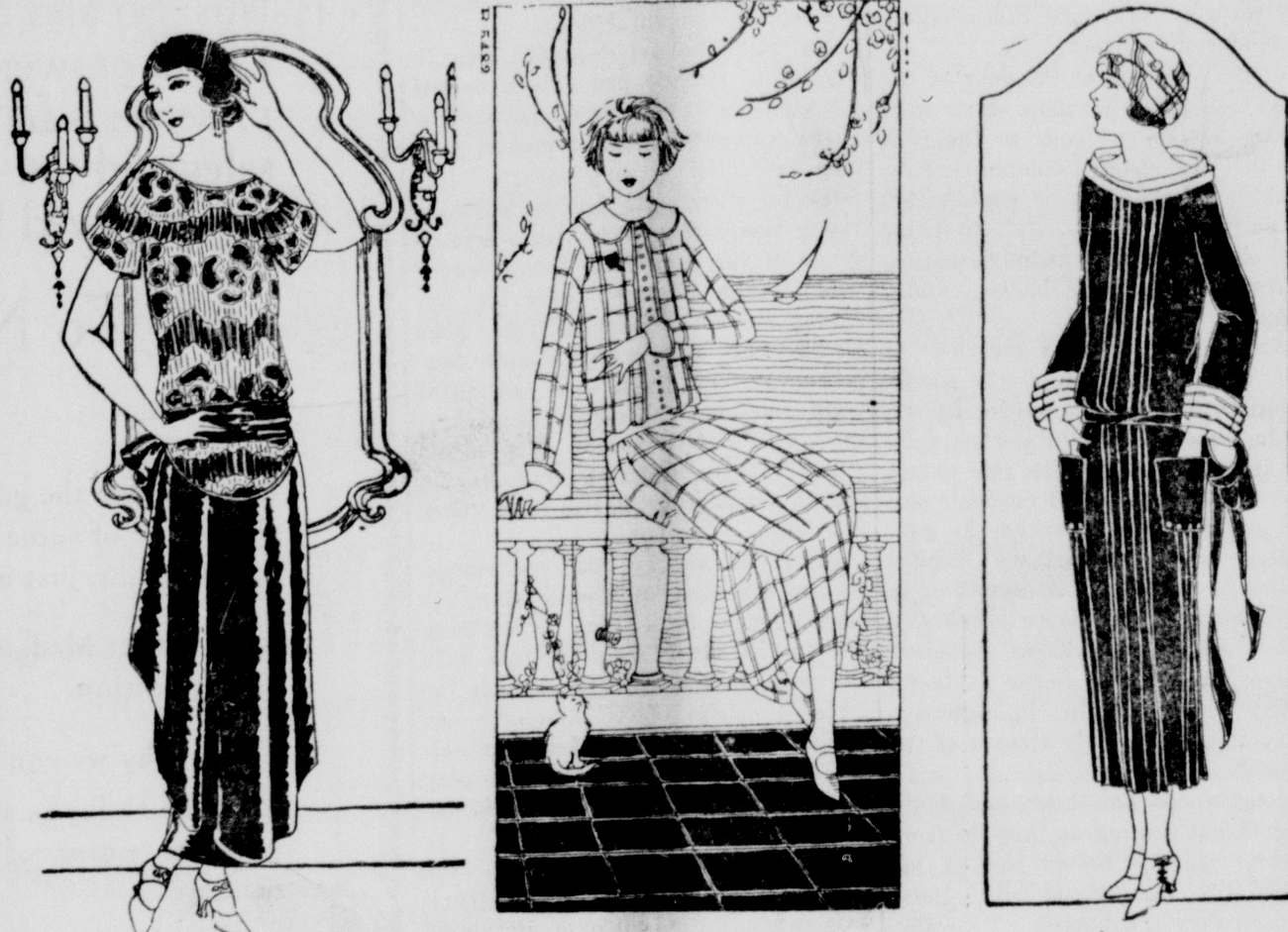
The Sikeston Live Stock Shipping Association was held Saturday night at the Chamber of Commerce room. The following officers were elected: R. A. McCord, re-elected Manager; R. G. Applegate, re-elected Director; W. H. Sikes, Secretary. Other officers that were elected were: John Reiss, W. H. Tanner, J. A. Ross, Theodore Hopper. Manager McCord wishes to report that through this Association, he shipped 79 carloads of cattle and hogs last year.

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## SENATE DEMOCRATS OFFER TAX CUT PLAN

Washington, April 10.—The new revenue bill was formally reported to the Senate today, and along with it was presented a new Democratic tax plan carrying an income tax schedule somewhat similar to the Longworth plan adopted by the House and turned down by the majority of the Senate Finance Committee.

The Democratic proposal, which its sponsors believe will have the support of the Republican insurgent group, carries a maximum surtax rate of 40 per cent on incomes in excess of \$500,000, as compared with the maximum of 25 per cent on incomes in excess of \$100,000 in the Finance Committee bill.

Normal income tax rates proposed in the Democratic plan are 2 per cent on incomes up to \$4000; 4 per cent on incomes between \$4000 and \$8000, and 6 per cent on incomes above \$8000. All heads of families, irrespective of the amount of their income, would be given the present exemption of \$2500. No other change in the exemptions is proposed.

Senator Simmons of North Carolina, ranking Democrat on the Finance Committee, presented the Democratic substitute just after Chairman Smoot had brought in the majority report of the committee and had announced that he probably would call the bill up for consideration next Wednesday. It would be useless to consider it before then, he said, as Senators would not have time to sufficiently inform themselves of its provisions.

In comparison with the Senate and House surtax schedules the Democratic plan would provide lower rates on the smaller incomes up to about \$50,000. On incomes between that amount and \$80,000 the tax would be about the same, while on incomes

over \$80,000 the Democratic rates would demand more taxes.

The revision of the income bracket to which the rates would apply would make an entirely different average of tax payments all the way up. Senator Simmons in his plan has named the exact amount of tax which would be due on each income, simplifying the computation of the surtax. As an example, on an income of \$50,000, the Democratic plan would call for a surtax of \$3540 plus a tax of 18 per cent on the amount of income in excess of \$50,000, and not in excess of \$52,000. The total normal and surtax which would be paid under the Democratic plan on an income of \$50,000 is fixed at \$5137.50, whereas as under the Mellon rate in the committee bill \$6657.50 would be paid on such an income. The House bill would have demanded a total of \$6190 on a \$50,000 income.

Simmons predicted the schedule as agreed to by the Democratic members of the finance committee would be supported by all but two or three of the Democrats in the Senate.

### SHOWERS LAST HALF OF WEEK FORECAST

Washington, April 13.—Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday:

Upper Mississippi and lower Missouri Valleys: Generally fair at beginning of the week and considerable cloudiness, with probability of occasional showers thereafter. Temperature near normal most of the week.

Mrs. James Kevil entertained the Bridge Club at her home Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Van Horne and Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer left Sunday on a motor trip to St. Louis.

Mrs. C. M. Taylor and children, after spending several days with her mother, Mrs. Nell Estes, returned to their home at Illmo, Sunday.

## NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

A. R. Zimmerman and wife to G. W. Waddle Lot 9 block in Smith's Add. to town of Gideon. \$350.

Callie McCarty to Henry Earl Keith, a parcel of ground in the city of Como. \$500.

Danlee Smith and wife to O. S. Harris and wife: Lot 2 Range E. City of Lilbourn. \$700.

A. R. Zimmerman and wife to Permelia Helena Bryant: Lots 11 and 12, block 1 in Smith's Addition to the town of Gideon. \$1000.

Arthur Hodge and wife to J. M. Byrd: Parcel of ground in the SE 1/4 sec. 4-21-13. \$4000.

Scott County Milling Co. to Jas. T. Huls: Lots 12, 13 and 14, block 1 Charles D. Matthews 5th addition to Matthews. \$450.

Van Vaughn and wife to G. W. Ford: Parcel of ground beginning at SE corner of SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 sec. 24-23-12. \$100 and other valuable consideration.

Ruby Smith to W. F. Shelton, Jr. 89.34 acres sec. 21-22-11. \$9000.

Glenn Keller spent the week-end at Cape Girardeau with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foster and children of Vanduser were in Sikeston shopping Saturday.

Miss Edna Caldwell, Mrs. Belote of Charleston, Miss Mattie Caldwell and Bob Boston were among those who attended the St. Louis Symphony orchestra at Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

Ira Lee, former Sikeston High School star athlete, stationed at Selfridge Field, Michigan, aviation, formerly stationed at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas, is in Sikeston on a 90-days leave. He has only fifteen days of his 90, remaining, and will visit relatives in this city during the 15-day period.

## ERECTION OF LARGE BRIDGE STARTS SOON

Machinery which will be used in the erection of the \$143,000 bridge across the diversion channel on Kingshighway, south of Cape Girardeau, was being unloaded today and taken to the proposed site for the bridge by employees of the Liston-Weatherby Construction Co., of Kansas City, which will erect span.

Materials to be used in the bridge construction have been ordered and are on their way, and indications are that work on the structure will be underway within 30 days. It is hoped by the local representatives of the construction company to get the work started and in such shape that the principal span across the diversion channel proper may be placed in position during the dry weather of July, when the water usually is at its lowest stage.

The bridge, which will be erected approximately one half mile west of the present structure which spans the diversion channel will be more than one quarter of a mile in length and will reach from the north to the south levee, completely spanning the law section between the two levees, which, during the highest stage, is inundated.

The distance over the diversion channel proper, 300 feet, will be spanned by steel girders, while the remainder of the bridge will be especially-treated timbers. The steel structure over the channel will rest on a 16-foot concrete base, which in turn will rest on piling driven 50 feet into the earth below the bed of the channel. An effort was made by highway engineers to locate bed rock on which to rest the piers, and although they drilled for more than 100 feet no rock was found.

Fifty men are to be employed in the erection of the bridge, most of them being experienced steel workers. A. J. Baker, a foreman for the construction company, arrived here several days ago to take charge of the work.—Cape Missourian.

Harry Hart of Charleston was a business visitor here, Friday.

Misses Caroline McFadden, Theresa Belote and Lorene Marable, of Charleston were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutchen, Friday.

Mrs. George Winters of New Madrid and Mrs. Summers of Canolou were called to Sikeston Saturday morning on account of the death of their aunt, Mrs. Steward.

A negro man by the name of Chester McGee, was caught Saturday afternoon stealing a pair of socks from the H. & S. Store Co. Mr. Hill took him to the City Hall and while Mr. Hill was looking for the Judge, the negro got away and ran down to the Methodist church. He was overtaken and brought back to the City Hall and charged \$10.15.

We know that wages and conditions in our country are not in every place thoroughly just and satisfactory; but we are aware that in Russia, where they are trying a different brand of freedom, the average absolute earnings of labor in all industries last year amounted to \$6.17 a month. In all Russia only 658,000 individuals are subject to an income tax, and 87 per cent of these have incomes of less than \$1,030 a year.—Floyd W. Parson in Saturday Evening Post.

A big Nash automobile driven by Joe Parker with a woman and little child in it, speeding on the curve of the Kingshighway entering Marston, turned over twice and plunged against a fence on the bank of the ditch seriously injuring the man and woman and bruising the child. The driver was badly cut on the head by broken glass of the windshield; the woman, it is reported, had five ribs broken, but the child received only severe bruises as it was thrown into the wire fence. The car was demolished.—Portageville Missourian.

The employees of the local shoe factory have been placed on restricted time, working five days a week, and orders have been given not to employ any new applicants for the present. There seems to be slack times in the shoe manufacturing business and the International Shoe Co. has a large surplus of manufactured goods on hand, wherefore the plant at Cape Girardeau has laid off 200 employees, we are told, and the balance, beginning this week, were placed on 4 1/2 days a week, meaning a reduction of twenty-five per cent in the running time. This may last only a few weeks, but no one can tell.—Jackson Post.

## PAST MASTERS' NIGHT AN IMPRESSIVE AFFAIR

Sikeston Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons dedicated their regular meeting night, Thursday, April 10, to the Past Masters of Sikeston Lodge No. 310, who were now living. On this particular night the sublime degree of Master Mason was conferred upon a Fellowcraft, the work being performed by Past Masters, the first section being performed by F. E. Mount, J. S. Kevil, W. H. Sikes, C. L. Francis, T. W. Hoskins, A. C. Barrett, A. A. Harrison, R. F. Anderson and J. A. Mocabee.

The second section was put on by T. W. Hoskins, C. L. Francis, B. R. Lennox, J. E. Dover, W. H. Sikes, A. C. Barrett, A. A. Harrison, R. F. Anderson, J. A. Mocabee, J. S. Kevil, F. E. Mount.

The Masonic Quartette of Morehouse consisting of E. E. Rogers, W. O. Mason, J. W. Sarff and P. H. Teal, with Masterson as accompanist, furnished some very enjoyable selections throughout the evening.

After the work of the evening was concluded, refreshments were served in the banquet room, which 160 Masons partook of. Visiting brethren from neighboring lodges were present to fraternize with local Masons.

## COMMUNITY MEETING HELD AT YORK SCHOOL

On Wednesday evening of last week, a community meeting and ice cream supper was held at York school, southeast of Sikeston. A program was given by the pupils of Miss Lillie DeWitt and also by the members of the Christian Endeavor of Little Vine Church.

Following is the program rendered by the Christian Endeavor:

Song—"Call Me Back, Pal O' Mine"

Mrs. Ben Sell, W. Ensor, Miss Garner, Miss Ogle and A. Garner

Paper—Miss York.

Musical reading—"I Love a Little Cottage".....Miss Garner

Reading—"Mandy's Proposal"

Vocal solo—"No, No Nora"

Miss Parker

Reading—"There Ain't No News"

Miss Garner

Song—"Mellow Moon"

Quintet

Jokes—Ben Sells, Jr.

Piano solo.....A. Garner

Reading—"Wilkins Moves In"

Miss Parker

Song—"Last Night on the Back Porch".....Male Quartet

Proceeds of \$15.74 were given to the Sunday School.

Judge Cavanaugh of Canolou was on our streets, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Proffer and little daughter of Dexter motored to this city Saturday to spend the week-end with homefolks.

Mrs. C. L. Blanton, Mrs. T. A. Wilson and son, T. Jr., Mrs. Ruth Matthews, Mort Griffith and Ben Blanton were visitors at Charleston Friday evening.

J. Otto Hahs, who runs a machine shop in Sikeston, came over Sunday and put the Enterprise-Courier's big Babcock press, which was wrecked last week, into good operating order again. Mr. Hahs, while not a press builder, is an expert in the mechanical line and required but a short time to have the wheels turning.—Charleston Courier.

Among those from Sikeston that attended the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra Concert at Cape Girardeau Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stallcup and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, Mrs. Kate Harris, Misses Margaret Harris, Lydia Chaney, Audrey Chaney, Marjorie Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Randol Wilson, Mrs. John Purcell, Misses Effie Campbell, Mildred Kimes, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Denman, Mr. and Mrs. Ranney Applegate, Mrs. B. F. Blanton, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Blanton, Ben Blanton, Mr. and Mrs. Winford, Mrs. Harrington, Miss Helen Grojean, Jean Hirschberg, Miss Frances Caldwell, Lonnie Harrison, Chris Francis, Ernest Arterburn, Dr. McClure, Milton Haas, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Skillman, Vernon Skillman, Mr. and Mrs. John Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Dailey, of Vanduser, Miss Pauline Moore, of Charleston, Dr. H. E. Reuber, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dover, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hardwick and Mrs. Charles Penny of Poplar Bluff.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Tom Scott as a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce F. K. Sneed of Chaffee for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Parm A. Stone of Skeston for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce L. P. Gober of Vanduser for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Fred M. Farris, of Benton, as candidate for Sheriff, of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Bob Cannon, of Benton, as candidate for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the primary in August.

COUNTY ASSESSOR

We are authorized to announce Chas. A. Stallings, of Morley, for Assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Geo. C. Bean, of Illmo, for assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Angles W. Bowman of Morley, for County Assessor, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce C. C. Myers of Oran as Democratic candidate for the office of Assessor, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce James W. Robertson, of Skeston, as a candidate for Assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

NEW MADRID COUNTY

We are authorized to announce G. F. Deane, of Matthews, as a candidate for Sheriff of New Madrid County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

The Annual Fashion edition of The Herald issued Thursday of last week, was one of the most handsome papers received in this office in years. It contained 24 pages and the make-up and mechanical end of the paper could hardly have been improved on.

We in Skeston, who know of the quiet and gentlemanly qualities of F. B. Newton, regret the cowardly assault made on him in Poplar Bluff last week by a Mr. and Mrs. McElroy. This is the reward meted out to him by a derelict contractor for his demand for a dollar's worth of road for every dollar of the people's money expended.

Rudolph Ganz and his St. Louis Symphony Orchestra played to a capacity house at the Teachers' College Auditorium, Cape Girardeau, Sunday afternoon. Music lovers from all over Southeast Missouri were there and seemed to enjoy the Russian music as given, but we have an idea that a good many timber boys like The Standard editor, would have enjoyed some pieces containing more melody and less storms.

There is to be a meeting held at the City Hall this (Tuesday) evening to go over plans for the Boy Scout movement. Skeston has not yet raised her apportionment of the fund for the employment of an entertainer for the boys at \$3000 per year. If we have it right, and we believe we have, this movement to raise \$6000 in Cape, Scott and Mississippi Counties, is to employ a head man at \$3,000 per year whose duty will be to impart new stories and new tricks for the entertainment of the boys, to the local scout masters in each town who get no pay, and they in turn will tell the jokes to the Scouts and show them the tricks. The other \$3000 goes to headquarters to pay the expense of organization and to train the \$3000 main in order that he can tell the stories so it will impress the Scouts. It is a mighty expensive piece of foolishness.

G. P. Van Arsdale is spending a few days in St. Louis.

Read This, You!

Below is a letter signed by a bank, some business firms and individual business men in and around Pickens, Miss. This letter might have been written from the bank or from any village in the south where cotton is grown.

If our people plant everything in cotton this year and have a big crop and plant no feedstuff they are going to break. If they get 30 cents a pound or their cotton, they will break. The south is going to continue to be half pauper until it grows enough to feed its people and its stock.

Read this letter. It is more forcible than any editorial we could write. These people have had experience. They are not selfish, they are trying to do a kindly act for their neighbors. Of course, their neighbors will be mad, but a little boy is always mighty mad at a dentist who snatches his tooth out. He gets over his mad spell in a few minutes, because his tooth stops aching.

"Warning:

"To Our Friends and Customers:

"Realizing the absolute folly of having to buy all our feed and food for both man and beast, instead of raising it, then trying to get rich by planting the face of the earth in cotton at the expense of all other crops. This plan is entirely too risky for us to continue; therefore, we have decided that, after this year, we will discontinue credit to anyone who does not make his farm self-sustaining by producing feed and food for man and beast on his own farm.

"Our observations have been that the man who gets ahead and stays ahead, is the man who always considers his feed and food crops of the first importance, then raises what cotton he can. On the other hand, the fellow who fails to raise his feed, and always has to buy it, is continually in debt and gets at little deeper and deeper in debt each year. It makes no difference if cotton should sell for \$1 per pound, these things would go up in proportion and leave you in the hole. Your prosperity does not depend on how many bales of cotton you produce each year or what you get for it, it depends on the profits you make out of your year's operations, and the man who has to buy his feed shows a loss instead of profit.

"It is very embarrassing to you, an equally so to your merchant or banker, for you to have to beg for just a little more credit every time your family needs a square meal, or you need enough lard or fat meat to cook a mess of greens.

"Let's quit gambling on cotton; let's get down to a safe and sound basis by first raising our livings at home, then planting what cotton we can work over once each 10 days. Play safe by planting all the corn, peas, potatoes, a good garden, hay and cane and everything we need for both man and beast, then raise more cotton on less acres.

"Credit is a very faithful servant when used judiciously but we have been subjecting it to the most flagrant abuses; somewhat like our live stock, we have been overworking and underfeeding it until the burden is getting too heavy for it to continue to carry.

"We have the best country under the sun; we have the climate, the soil. We can produce at a profit most any crop that can be produced anywhere else, provided we work it properly. We have an ideal dairy, hog, cattle and poultry section, all of which we have been neglecting. We surely can raise our feed and food crops much cheaper than your merchants can have it shipped it, pay the freight, drayage and numerous other charges, then sell it to you on credit and carry you until fall. It's worth trying anyhow.

"Remember, we will not grant credit in 1925 to anyone who has not raised his feed and food crops in 1924. If he has failed, he must convince us that he has made an honest effort and has failed through no fault or neglect on his part.

"More cotton on less acres, feed and food for man and beast on every farm, means prosperity to all.

"Yours for success,

YARBROUGH & McCOOL, E. W. ANTHONY, W. A. HANNA & SON, PICKENS BANK, MAXWELL & CO., A. P. YARBOROUGH, W. H. HOOVER & CO., E. W. BURTON, C. G. MEEKS."

—Commercial Appeal

An inventor in Vienna announces that he has invented a flying machine that flaps its wings like a bird. He says his plane can rise straight up in the air, also that it's fool-proof and virtually unable to fall. All he needs now is a backer with money. You'll join in wishing you had a dollar for every one of these miraculous discoveries that shoot into the limelight like a skyrocket and 99 times out of 100 are never heard of again.

On The Mourners Bench.

Apparently blocked in his ambition to be the presidential nominee of his party, Senator Hiram Johnson is out in a statement, in which he mercilessly flays the Republican leaders. No Democrat has ever presented a more scathing arraignment of the G. O. P. methods and administration than does the Californian.

We know nothing of the senator's church affiliation, but his attitude indicates that he would make a good Methodist. He seems to be on the mourner's bench, repenting of his connection with a party which he declares is "dominated by the unholy alliance between crooked business and crooked politics."

No one question that Senator Johnson, whom the great state of California had so often and so justly honored, is an American before he is or has been a Republican. Once before, in 1912, he refused to bend his neck to the yoke fashioned by the "old guard" and turned his back to the organization, becoming the running mate of Theodore Roosevelt on the Progressive ticket.

But the sins laid at the door of the Republican party in those days were nothing like as grievous as the ones of which the senator complains now. Speaking of the "era of exploitation and entrenched dishonesty" in these days of Republican administration, Senator Johnson says in his statement:

"When every coward scurries to cover, every craven crawls to power, apologists masking as opponents excuse because they assert it runs rampant in every party, with few exceptions, unite to hide and conceal, palliate and belittle corruption in government; when ugly bribery excites not even conventional indignation in those whose duty it is to speak a people's voice—somewhere, someone, however weak and feeble, should publicly preach again in highways and byways the homely virtues of the republic."

Strong words are these, and doubly significant coming as they do from one who for the better part of his political life has trained with those at whom they are hurled.

But the favorite son of California, who did his part in 1920 to pile up the great majority of the Republicans, goes further in denouncing the forces of his own party arrayed against him. Declaring that he has made a fight to "rid the Republican party of a corrupt and reactionary control," Senator Johnson continues:

"Every financial power, every organization, every office-holder, local and federal, money without stint, the mess with all its ramifications, every avenue of publicity, the grand army of political crooks, and crooked business with all its ramifications, every individual with a streak of yellow, and every timid fellow who expects political power or preferment have been on the other side. That I have received as many votes as I have, without funds or aid at all, is a tribute to our citizenship, and is a matter of congratulation, and spurs to renewed effort for decency in politics and government."

At the risk of being accused of proselyting, we come to the senator in this dark hour of his conviction and point out to him the one way of political salvation.

"As long as the light holds out to burn the vilest sinner may return." We bid the senator to shake off his sackcloth and ashes, gird his loins with truth, put on the breastplate of political righteousness, and join forces with the party of Jefferson, that the wicked may be made to cease from troubling and the government made responsive to the people who have suffered for its sins.

There is no other way. Again the voice of Joshua is heard ringing down the avenues of time: "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve."

Michigan, Illinois and Nebraska have sent the senator to the political mourners' bench. We hope that he may see the light and his be numbered with the spirits of just men made perfect.—Commercial Appeal.

Thin tub silks in navy with half-formed squares and circles of white now being shown present a cool and attractive appearance. With the organdie collar and cuffs of white they are particularly dainty.

Hog production in Missouri has reached its zenith and is now on the declining order. The sensational increase in the last two years of hog production in Missouri was never before equalled. The very marketing of brood sows and stock hogs has decreased the number of hogs over a wide section in other states. As reported by the crop reporting service Missouri marketed the largest number of hogs in 1923 that was ever fed and shipped to market, more than any other year of record, nominally in round numbers 5,128,157 head. The decline in hogs at this time is given as a reason for high priced corn and low priced hogs.

'ANNA CHRISTIE' IS A REALISTIC DRAMA

"Anna Christie", written for the stage by Eugene O'Neil and translated to the screen by that other lover of the sea and artistic realism—Thomas H. Ince—is a strictly twentieth century offering. The "Situations" that wreck homes and lives today are almost identical with those that have troubled other ages.

The plot maker finds his scope of invention limited because life likes to repeat. In the past centuries a stilted prudery has encouraged hypocrisy and false modesty. Only in this day and age have playwrights and picture producers had the courage—and audiences the assurance—to dissect stark realism that goes into the making of a masterpiece like "Anna Christie" behind the footlights and on the screen. This is a First National picture, which will be at the Malone Theatre on Friday.

Not for a second does Mr. Ince in his latest picture production permit his audience to escape from realism. Elemental people and elemental passions are the strong meat of this powerful story. He has told it in a rising tempo that bursts into a crescendo of fury in the "great scene" when "Anna" fought over by her father and sweetheart as two dogs would worry over a bone, tears herself away from them in a passion of rage and quiets their futile bickerings with the confession of a sordid past, that reduces them to gaping stares, shuddering horror and then murderous rage.

In all the history of the motion picture drama no mightier scene has been screened than this. It has been put on the silver sheet by Ince with the same dramatic fire that made the critics proclaim O'Neil a genius and Paulin Lord the finest character actress of her type while the stage play was running in this country and in London.

Blanche Sweet, beloved to the screen "fans" since the old Biograph days when her "Judith of Bethulia" made her famous, has created one of the great women of the screen with her interpretation of "Anna". The waif of the northwest, sent to Minnesota by a sentimental old father who believes that there she will be safe from "dat old devil sea" which has claimed the lives of his father and brother, only to be betrayed by a cousin and forced into the life of the streets is a pathetic creature who rings the inmost heart strings.

When she emerges triumphant from her past, redeemed by the influences of the sea and a great love which comes to her, the realization of impending tragedy which hangs over her because her sweetheart loves her selfishly as "the only decent woman" he ever has known, brings a dramatic tension almost unbearable until the situation is resolved by the girl's passionate confession.

George Marion, who plays the role of "Chris", the old squarehead father, created the same part in the screen production and played it through the successful run of the play in this country and in London. Marion has long been known to the world as a true artist both through his character acting and his countless successful stage productions. His portrayal of the screen "Chris" is one of the most individual characterizations of the silver sheet.

William Russell, who completes the trio of featured players in the picture, is equally compelling as "Matt Burke", Anna's Irish stoker sweetheart. Russell delineating fine shades of emotion and overwhelming passion is a revelation to followers who are more familiar with his athletic prowess in fast action stories.

"Anna Christie" will live on when man other current offerings have gathered dust on the shelves of forgotten pictures. It is a compelling presentation of compelling emotions that grips and sways and tears at the heart with an intensity that would be unbearable were it not for the fine comedy relief touches supplied by Chester Conklin and "Buddy", his pet goat. It towers above any previous Ince offering—and there have been many called great by the critics—like a mighty mountain peak. John Griffith Wray directed the production, which was adapted for the screen by Bradley King.

Willie Herron, a negro youth of near Commerce, was brought to a Cape Girardeau hospital early Thursday night with both legs severed above the knee, following an attempt he made to "hop" a freight train near Lillydale late that afternoon. His condition is considered critical. The train, while his a local on the Frisco railroad, operated between Cape Girardeau and Campbell, was moving slowly when the negro attempted to board it. His grasp apparently slipped, employees said, and he was thrown under the train.

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An interesting example of detective work in the Forest Service recently occurred in California, when officers of the Forest Service secured evidence against an automobilist who violated the camp-fire regulations before the camp fire was even built. This sounds like Sherlock Holmes, but here is how it happened.

A tourist from one of the Eastern States established a temporary camp in the Trinity National Forest, Calif. On an inspection trip a forest ranger photographed this particular camp to secure a picture for use in a report on camping sites in his district.

A few days later this ranger was called out to fight a forest fire that had plainly started from a camp fire left burning by some careless camper who had moved on to parts unknown. The ranger remembered having included an automobile in the photograph he had taken of this particular camp site a few days before. Hurrying back to headquarters he examined the negative, and with the aid of a magnifying glass picked out the number of the license plate on the pictured automobile. He then sent a description over the telephone to adjacent towns and ranger stations and landed his man, who admitted his carelessness, paid his fine, and continued on his way with a new appreciation of what was meant by "Be sure your camp fire is out—then bury it".

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Crumpecker of Morehouse attended the show in this city, Friday evening.

DUNAVER SCHOOL WILL GO TO SKESTON

Last week County Superintendent John H. Goodin was in the southern end of the county conferring with Superintendent Roy V. Ellise of the Skeston school and also with the board at Dunaver.

The school in the Dunaver district was blown off the blocks by the recent tornado, and the district needs a negro school building. It was decided that the white children would be transported to Skeston and the old school will be used by the colored folks.

Dunaver and Minner adjoin and a move was on to consolidate the two districts, the former favoring the idea and the latter voting against it, en out.

so the result will be that Minner will build both white and colored schools, the building formerly used having been demolished by the tornado.—Benton Democrat.

Only 44 women in Spain have taken out licenses to drive their own automobiles.

In 1919 and 1920 seven and a half billion dollars worth of new oil stocks were offered to investors. New oil stock issues now are averaging about seventy-five million dollars a month, or not quite a billion a year. Some oil stocks are good investments, no doubt. Many others are not, as investors with singed wings will testify. More money has gone into the ground in recent years than was taken out.

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PRELIMINARY TRACK MEET  
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The following schools of Southeast Missouri are the entries to be in the preliminary events at the Fair Grounds Friday afternoon, in this city:

Boys' Track—Chaffee, Blodgett, Benton, Cape Girardeau, Bridges, New Madrid, Jackson, Charleston, Sikeston, Oran.

Girls' Track—Blodgett, Benton, Bridges, New Madrid, Charleston, Sikeston.

Cooking—Benton, Cape Girardeau, Bridges, New Madrid.

Mrs. Ernest Crumpecker of Morehouse attended the funeral of Mrs. Martha Steward, in this city, Monday.

Mrs. May Hawkins, who has been a patient at St. Mary's Infirmary at Cairo, is much improved and is expected home the last of this week.

Mrs. Chas. Penny, of Poplar Bluff, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Young.

Mrs. O. W. McCutchen and children were visitors at Charleston Friday evening.

Miss Hyacinth Sheppard spent Sunday in New Madrid, the guest of Miss Elsie Smart.

Mrs. Josie Hart, Mrs. D. L. Fisher and Mrs. Fisher of Morehouse were shopping in this city Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Reed and babe and Mrs. Eva Reed of Benton were the Sunday guests of Mrs. Bill Malone.

The annual Easter bazaar of the Christian Church will be held on April 19th. Anyone wishing Easter eggs, phone 387.

Misses Ella Wright, Pearl Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. Pharris and children spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kem, at Minner Switch.

Third Annual Inter-High School  
**TRACK and FIELD MEET**  
April 18, S. E. Mo. Fairgrounds  
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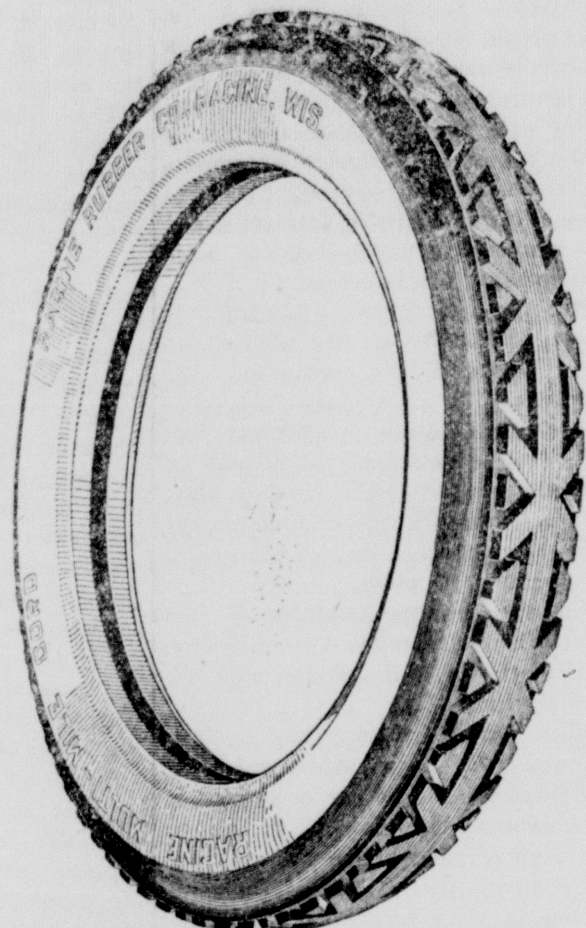
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**NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS  
FROM MATTHEWS**

Judge G. D. Steele and wife attended church in Sikeston, Sunday morning.

G. F. Deane returned home Saturday from Gideon, where he has been the past week as one of the viewers of District Ditch No. 38.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ray Monday, April 7th and left a fine baby girl.

Mrs. Leon Swartz and Mrs. F. S. Sibley were Sikeston visitors, Friday.

Mrs. Tenny Burch returned last week from Catron, where she has been the past few weeks, visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ratcliff and Mrs. E. M. Ratcliff were Sikeston visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Sterliff Jones of Pharris Ridge was a Matthews visitor Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane and little daughter, shopped in Sikeston Saturday.

The District Track Meet was held in Matthews Friday to determine who the winners would be for the County Meet at Portageville April 24th and 25th. The name of the winners are as follows: Declamatory contest, Mayola Emory, Matthews; spelling, Erma Wilson, Werner school; athletic events, Lawrence Harding, pole vault and running, Matthews; Jack Parker, high jump and broad jump, Canoy school. A great deal of praise is due to our teachers for giving Matthews their first track meet, which was so much enjoyed by the people of this place. A large crowd was in attendance from over the district.

Mrs. John Smith and children of Canolou and Mrs. John Southerland of Portageville attended the track meet here, Friday.

Rub Bornhart and Alfred Deane were Sikeston visitors, Saturday.

Mrs. James Coghlin of Canolou visited her mother, Mrs. George Elderbrook Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dickerman of Crowe District was in Matthews Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Randolph and little son, Herbert Lee of Pharris Ridge spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Nannie Lee.

Mr. Blanchard of Portageville, a candidate for sheriff of New Madrid County, was in Matthews Thursday. He was accompanied by John Collier of New Madrid.

Mrs. Hensley and little daughter of Pharris Ridge attended the track meet in Matthews, Friday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Burr Mills, a fine baby girl.

Miss Flo King spent Saturday in Sikeston, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Buchanan.

Mrs. J. P. Rice of Chaffee is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gossitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarthy and children and Miss Elrene Shelton of

Sikeston visited relatives in Matthews, Sunday.

Misses Mary and Addie James, who are employed in the shoe factory in Sikeston, spent the week-end at home.

Mrs. Wes Depro has recovered from a serious spell of sickness.

Mrs. James Lancaster and children and Mrs. Homer Lancaster and children of White Oak No. 2 attended the track meet in Matthews, Friday.

J. A. Alsop was called to St. Louis Saturday by a telegram on account of the serious illness of his daughter, Mrs. W. M. Wilson.

Mrs. Gord Dill spent Monday at Cape Girardeau.

Miss Mildred Coleman of Como, Miss., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Coleman.

The home of A. E. Shankle was broken into Saturday night about 10:30. Several small articles were taken. Night Marshal Noblin located all the stolen goods Sunday morning in the alley. No arrests have been made.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sikes, John and Kendall Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Matthews, Mrs. Kate Harris and Mrs. Betty Matthews attended the wedding of Miss Judith Wilkinson and Riley Brown of Charleston Friday evening.



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**CORRESPONDENCE  
FROM MOREHOUSE**

Rev. Mayfield of Essex filled the pulpit here on Sunday morning and Rev. Doss of Morehouse went to Essex to fill the pulpit there.

Jess Banks of Dexter spent the week-end with his brother, Phillip Banks.

Mrs. O. M. Hux and Mrs. Jimmy Hux of Essex were Morehouse visitors on Friday.

Mrs. Frank Leming spent Tuesday in Dexter shopping and visiting with friends.

Mrs. Ada Powell, who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. D. L. Fisher for sometime, expects to return to her home in Logansport, Ind., Tuesday. Miss Betty Fisher will accompany her grandmother home for an extended visit.

The Morehouse quartet composed of J. W. Sarff, W. O. Mason, E. E. Rodgers and P. H. Teal, furnished a musical program for the Masonic Lodge of Sikeston on Thursday night. Ralph Masterson accompanied the quartet and also played several piano selections.

Paul Teal and family were shopping in Sikeston, Friday.

Ernest Crumpecker has purchased a new Chrysler Six touring car this past week.

Mrs. Maude Dunafee, Mrs. Sherman Anderson and Mrs. Legan of Gideon spent Sunday with John Dunafee and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Mathis spent the day Monday in Bloomfield visiting relatives.

Several from here attended the musical at Cape Girardeau Sunday, by the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra.

Mrs. Hart of Dexter was here visiting her daughter, Miss Lurlyne Hart, the first of last week.

Mrs. Ed Hindman and Mrs. I. H. Dunaway were in Sikeston, shopping, Wednesday.

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Methodist Church are going to have an Easter bazaar and bake sale Saturday all day at the office of W. R. Griffin. Come and buy an Easter bonnet.

Mrs. J. W. Sarff was in Cairo shopping Saturday.

Mrs. Jennie Marshall of St. Louis was here the first of last week looking after property interests.

Mr. Gaines of Sedalia, adjuster for the Hartford Insurance Company, was here on Saturday, adjusting losses caused by our recent tornado.

Sam Usrey and Miss Mabel Berry of Dexter were quietly married at Dexter on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. John Fox of Sikeston and daughter, Mrs. Law and babe, of Malden, passed through Morehouse Thursday on their way to Malden, Mrs. Law's home.

Miss Laura Mae Murphy and Miss Rita Hall spent the week-end in Canolou visiting the Gruin girls.

Guy Owens was kicked by a horse

Sunday morning and was seriously injured. Mr. Owens is superintendent of the Nazarene Sunday school. Miss Grace Holmes and John Albritton motored to Dexter Sunday. Miss Lurlyne Hart spent the week-end in Cape Girardeau visiting with friends.

Misses Elizabeth Welch and Irene Cox were Cape Girardeau visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Derris and children and Mrs. A. C. Etzel spent Sunday at Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. A. W. Robinson of Poplar Bluff will be the guest of Mrs. W. H. Sikes the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Koch of St. Louis are now located in the Chaney flats. Mr. Koch is connected with the Electric Maid Bakery.

J. Banks and son, J. Banks, Jr., of Oran and Mr. and Mrs. L. Wagoner of Dexter were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lampert.

Misses Mree and Blanche Swanagon and Allen Harrison and Bill Craston attended the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra concert at Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Priddy is on the sick list this week.

Jas. Jacobs of Morley spent Saturday here on business.

Bert Rowe of Charleston spent Saturday here on business.

Miss Lina Calhoun of Chaffee was the Saturday guest of Mrs. John Fox. Dr. McClure has disposed of the Vernon Vaughn property on North Ranney.

Mrs. George Taylor of Kansas City, Mo., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Randol.

P. H. Stevens, who has been confined to his bed for several days with the flu, is improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kendall and little daughter, of near Kewanee, visited friends and relatives in Sikeston, Saturday.

The Russell-Bradley Missionary Society met Friday night at the home of Mrs. Paul Anderson, with several members present.

Miss Frances Densmore, an expert on Indian music, has been appointed to the staff of the National Museum at Washington. Miss Densmore spends her summers among various tribes studying and rewriting their music.



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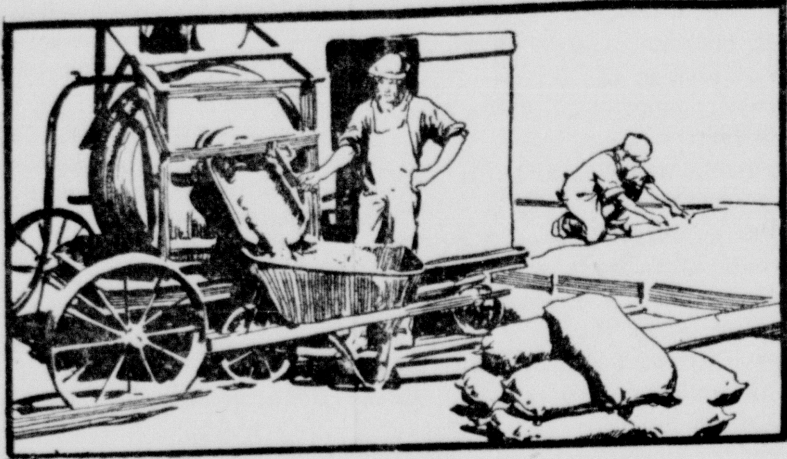


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**NEW SPRAY WILL KILL BOLL WEEVIL, CLAIM**

New York, April 12.—The Texas Company, it was announced tonight, contemplates the marketing of a new process for exterminating the boll weevil, which annually takes a toll of millions of dollars from cotton growers in the south. Experiments with the new process, which is a spray and is believed to employ petroleum or some byproduct of it as a base, were conducted last year, and the results are understood to have been entirely satisfactory.

At present calcium arsenate is used in virtually all the sprays to fight the weevil, but owing to the limited supply of arsenate, the price is high and the use of such exterminators adds considerably to the cost of producing cotton. The new product of the Texas Company is materially less expensive than any of the arsenate sprays now used.

Amos L. Beatty, president of the Texas Company, made the following announcement, in connection with the new process:

"The Texas Company has perfected an arrangement under which it contemplates marketing a spray to exterminate boll weevils. A patent has been allowed to the inventor and the company will pay a royalty. Experiments were conducted during the latter part of last season. They were surprising in results.

"In abundance of caution, however, the company will make further experiments this year as soon as the hope of removing every possible doubt. It will not proceed until that point is reached.

"Preliminary marketing plans are being made, so that if the final test is satisfactory, the product will be available during the coming season. It will not be expensive.

"The aim of the company will be to perform a public service and it will not go in for large profits. Further announcement will be made at the proper time."

**ADVERTISING SIGNS TO GO FROM ROADS**

That the advertising sign at the side of the road may prove a detriment to the thing advertised instead of promoting sales, is being more and more recognized by large users of bill-board space. It is being brought home to advertisers that road users hotly resent the blatant sign covering up a beautiful vista or profaning a lovely landscape.

Co-operation in sign removal has had unexpected impetus from the Standard Oil Co., on the Pacific Coast, which has decided to eliminate certain objectionable signs from the highways.

"Convinced that highway advertising signs detract from the natural beauty of the great routes of travel of the Pacific Coast," says an official of Standard Oil, "this company has decided that it will erect no more such signs and that it will immediately remove all of its signs of this nature now standing. Hereafter the company will confine the use of signs to commercial locations. This company was among the first of oil concerns to engage in this form of advertising and is now glad to be the first to discontinue it."

Nearly 1200 large, round permanent signs in California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, and Arizona are consigned to the ax by a general order.

Ute Pass, near Colorado Springs, has for long been defaced with a large number of signs. Recently the Colorado Automobile Club, which is deeply interested in the work of beautifying highways, removed more than one thousand signs from the pass. At the same time the club ordered ten thousand trees to be planted in nurseries and later used to embellish the roads leading to Colorado Springs.

Among the many large bill-board users in the East who have declared their intention to aid in the beautifying of highways by the elimination of signs, are such well-known persons as Kelly Springfield Tire Co., Pillsbury Flour Mills Co., Washburn Crosby Co., Champion Spark Plug Co., B. F. Goodrich Rubber Co., Sun Oil Co., Hood Rubber Co., Ajax Rubber Co., Ward Baking Co., Dodge Brothers, Gulf Refining Co., Texas Co., and the Fleischmann Co.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lewis of Bertrand spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. John Fox and family.

WANTED—General housework. Address Mrs. Laura Ash, Sikeston, Mo., General Del.

FOR SALE—Oak kitchen cabinet, with porcelain top, leatherette couch. Apply 229 North St.

LOST—Wrist watch, Elgin, between Tanner street and grade school. Initials M. E. B. engraved on back. Liberal reward for the return of same to Melvin Bowman.

**PAUL BROWN GIVES \$50,000 TO SCHOOL**

St. Louis, April 11.—A gift of \$50,000 has been offered Marvin College at Fredericktown, Mo., by Paul Brown of 10 Washington terrace, investment broker, contingent upon the faculty raising an equal amount in the next 90 days.

The contribution was offered after Mrs. Ruth Barnes, president of the college, had explained to Brown a proposed change in the policy of the college which the Board of Curators has had under discussion.

A committee has been appointed by the board to work out a plan for introducing self-help features into the college to make it possible for boys and girls of Missouri to get an education at a nominal cost, it being understood that the students will work a certain number of hours a week under competent supervision as a part payment on tuition and board. The purpose of the change is to put education in the reach of many who would not otherwise obtain it, and at the same time to give training to the hand as well as to the head, and make the dignity of labor an essential part of the educational program.

Plans have been adopted for a campaign to meet the condition of Brown's gift, and it is believed that the proposition will meet with the hearty response of all Methodists of the St. Louis Conference.

Brown is a leading Methodist layman of the St. Louis Conference and a member of St. John's Church. He has made other substantial contributions to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as evidence of his confidence in its forward movements. He recently made a large contribution to the Superannuate Endowment.

The Board of Curators of Marvin College, elected by the St. Louis Annual Conference, are as follows: The Rev. Ivan Lee Holt, chairman; F. L. Wells, J. W. Fristoe, and Louis Boeger, of St. Louis; the Rev. J. N. Broadhead, Farmington; the Rev. A. C. Johnson, Cape Girardeau; the Rev. H. P. Crowe, Poplar Bluff; the Rev. W. E. Brown, West Plain; R. G. Applegate, Sikeston; C. L. Whitener, Fredericktown and Fletcher S. Crowe, secretary, of St. Louis.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 14, MARKET REPORT**

**COTTON CLOSE**  
NEW ORLEANS  
May 30.07 ..... 30.00  
July 28.52 ..... 28.68  
October 24.35 ..... 24.48  
December 24.06 ..... 24.48  
New York Spot cotton 110 lower 30.40

New Orleans Spot Cotton 112 lower, 30.38  
Memphis Spot Cotton 100 lower, 30.75  
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St. Louis hogs rect. 14,000 5 up 7.80.  
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Wheat—  
May ..... 101½  
July ..... 103½  
September ..... 104½  
Corn—  
May ..... 77½  
July ..... 78½  
September ..... 78

Oats—  
May ..... 46½  
July ..... 44  
September ..... 44

**ST. LOUIS CASH**  
No. 2 Red wheat ..... 113-114  
No. 3 Red wheat ..... 109  
No. 3 Mixed corn ..... 78-80  
No. 4 Mixed corn ..... 76½-78  
No. 2 yellow corn ..... 80-80½  
No. 3 yellow corn ..... 80-80½  
No. 3 White corn ..... 78½-79  
No. 2 White oats ..... 50½

**WEATHER**—  
All cotton states cloudy and unsettled, some showers. Warmer. Grain states, fair and warmer.

Geo. Lough spent Thursday evening at Charleston with friends.

Hot-water bags will last longer if, when not in use, they are blown half full of air and the stoppers screwed on tightly. Then the sides cannot stick together.

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**Clear Up the Charges**

A special committee of the Senate will investigate the charges brought in the indictment against Senator Wheeler, prosecutor of the Department of Justice investigation, by a Federal grand jury in Montana. This decision is well advised in the interest of the public.

Senator Wheeler emphatically denies every charge brought against him. He acknowledges acceptance of a fee in the case to which reference is made in the indictment, but denies ever appearing as an advocate before any department of the Government.

No evidence has yet been given the public on which to base judgment. But the charge must not be permitted to stand without prompt action. If Wheeler is guilty of having sold his influence in the Government after being elected to high office he should not now be investigating the misconduct of other officials but should be exposed and punished. On the other hand, if he has been basely attacked for the purpose of discrediting and wrecking the investigation of the Department of Justice, his strength and the power of his cause will increase with vindication.

The investigation of the Department of Justice should not be interrupted while Wheeler himself is on trial. Such interruption would serve the purpose of anybody interested in bringing false charges and would comport with tactics hitherto practiced by the National Republican Committee. Wheeler must be presumed innocent until he is proved guilty. The power of the Senate should be invoked to insure the integrity of the investigations by vigorously meeting all responsible charges against the investigators.—Post-Dispatch.

Jack Shelton of Dexter was a visitor here Monday.

Garden Seed at Farmers Supply Hardware. A Big Package 5c.

E. P. Coleman is spending a few days in Mississippi on business.

In Doahomey when a girl reaches the age of 18 she at once sets out to find someone willing to marry her, and sometimes they take a husband on trial for a couple of months before choosing him permanently.

Miss Edna Outter, who in Smith College majored in history and botany, has put her heart, mind and physical power into farming at Draught, a few miles from Lowell, Mass., where she operates a large farm.

W. A. Pinkerton, head of the Pinkerton National Detective Agency, left by will to his two daughter, Mrs. Joseph Watkins and Mrs. Margaret Pullman, an estate amounting to \$1,595,000. This does not include the interest in the detective agency.

When the first gas street lamp was lighted at Wall Street and Broadway, New York City, the crowd that gathered to witness the ceremony kept at a respectful distance because of the fancied danger of an explosion. The first gas container of this old gas New York company had a capacity of 18,000 cubic feet of gas. Now the same company has gas holders having a capacity of 15,000,000 cubic feet each. In those early days the price of gas was \$10 a thousand cubic feet. Last year there was made and sold in the United States nearly 400 billion cubic feet of manufactured gas.

Miss Ruth Litt has been chosen by the Republican women of Nassau and Suffolk counties in New York to run against Col. Roosevelt as a candidate to the National G. O. P. Convention at Cleveland next summer.

Miss Rebecca Pierce spent Friday at Chaffee.

Mrs. J. H. Keady spent Monday at Cairo, with Miss Violet Benson, who is a patient at St. Mary's Infirmary.

**Musical Instruments**

A shipment of small goods came in this week and may be found in our showcases. Included in the shipment are several violins at very attractive prices—the kind for beginners, some guitars, banjo-ukes, ukuleles, harps of all kinds and descriptions, strings and accessories for all instruments, in fact, there's plenty of these small items here to give you what you want. Try us.

We have two large racks loaded to the brim with new piano rolls. There is no reason why you shouldn't knock some of the dust off the keys of your piano and try a few of these late hits. You'll like them.

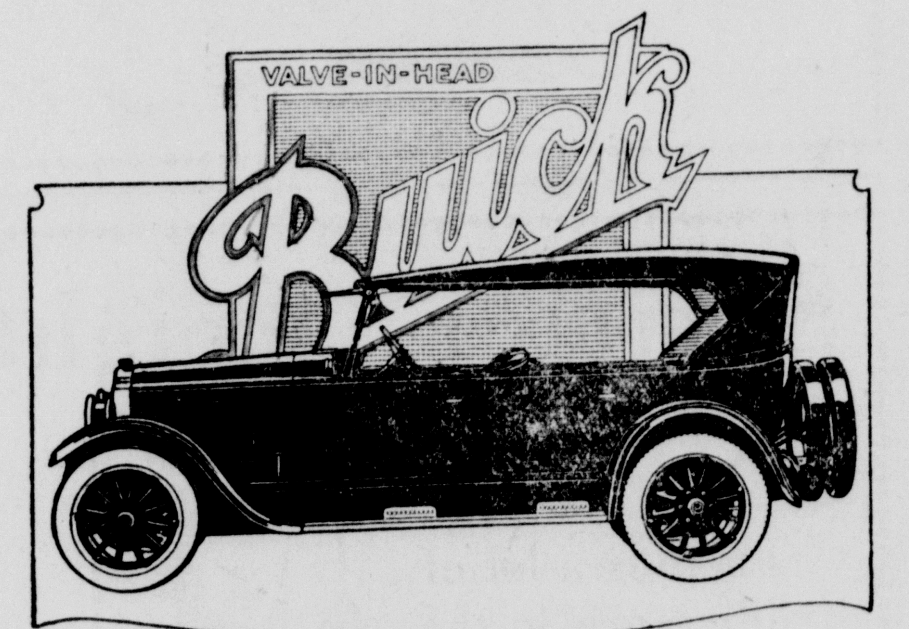
There seems to be a growing demand for the latest hits on the needle-type records. We find new customers in our store every day and they can't resist, when they hear those TED LEWIS hits on the Columbia records. You'll fall for these Fox Trots, sure as you're born.

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GULBRANSEN PLAYER-PIANOS at \$420.00 and \$495.00. Price burned into the back of every one of them at the factory. EASY TO PLAY—that's the trademark. EASY TO PAY for—that's a fact.

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## AIRPLANE DUSTS POISON ON MALARIAL MOSQUITO OLARVAE

In the course of experimental poison dusting by means of airplanes for the control of the boll weevil in Louisiana, the Bureau of Entomology, of the United States Department of Agriculture, recently made an experiment with the use of the same method for the control of malarial-bearing mosquitoes.

The region around Mound, La., is very swampy and badly infested with malarial mosquitoes. It is only about 18 miles from Tallulah, where the boll weevil poison dusting was carried on. The Air Service of the United States Army supplied the same specially equipped airplane used in the boll weevil campaign. Paris green was the poison dust used to attack the mosquitoes. It was heavily diluted with Tripoli earth.

The experiment proved very successful. The planes could fly over parts of the swamps which otherwise were inaccessible. The trees did not interfere with the spreading of the poison dust, for the machines flew sufficiently high to avoid contact and circled them to apply it to the surrounding bog.

The use of Paris green, highly diluted with road dust or some similar substance, is recommended in certain cases by the United States Public Health Service. The airplane offers a wholesale method of application.

The Standard \$1.50 per year.

## TRY PAY CUT TO MAKE HIM MEAN

Can you look mean?

Can you so arrange your facial expressions so that people will say to themselves—"gosh all fishhooks, will you look at that mean face?"

That is the predicament that confronted the stars when they first started production on the screen adaptation of "The Meanest Man in the World".

Eddie Cline, who was in charge of the direction of the feature, called the principal players together on the "set" at Principal Pictures studios, Hollywood.

"Now folks", began Cline, "this is a mean task to place on your shoulders, but it has to be done. Bert Lytell here, is going to enact 'the meanest man in the world' and you all know Bert—you all know what a fine chap he is and that he has always got a broad grin or smile on his face. Now how the heck is Bert going to look mean in this picture when he never had a mean look on his face in his life?"

"Tell him you are going to cut his part in half", suggested Blanche Sweet, who was assigned to play opposite Lytell.

"No, I have a better plan", said Sol Lesser, president of Principal Pictures Corporation, who happened to come along just then.

"Great!" cried Cline "Let's have it, Mr. Lesser."

"Tell him I'm going to cut his salary in half", said the producer with a broad smile.

Lytell at once looked mean enough to fight.

But funny to say, "the man" in this rip-roaring First National attraction is not mean at all. The poor chap is a financial failure just because he can't be mean—just because he has never learned to say NO. That is the story, you see. As a matter of fact, the only mean character in the story is Carl Stockdale, playing the role of a swindler in the town of Hudsonville. And between ourselves, "off stage", Stockdale is as loveable a man as anybody would wish to meet.

When George M. Cohan starred in the stage play of this name, everybody wondered just what sort of a play it was. To think that Cohan, noted for his comedy expressions and antics would enact the role of a mean man was quite unthinkable. The same condition prevails with Lytell. This star of the silver sheet has always enacted roles in which

he is the hero—in which he is the kindly "friend in need". And in the case of "The Meanest Man in the World" Lytell, while he tries to be mean and look mean, simply cannot and proves in the end that he is indeed the "friend in need".

"The Meanest Man in the World" is said to be one of the big pictures of the season. No thought of time or expense was attached to the production. Principal Pictures Corporation wanted to give the screen equally as excellent a film presentation as did George M. Cohan when he offered the footlight vehicle in New York City which, incidentally, had one of the most successful "runs" in the history of theatricals in New York.

The cast of this production was selected with utmost care. It can be rated as all-star in every sense of the word. In addition to Bert Lytell, Blanche Sweet and Bryant Washburn, there are other names of importance and well known to the film lovers of the world. These include Victor Potel, Forest Robinson, William Conklin, Carl Stockdale, Maryon Aye, Helen Lynch, Warde Crane, Frances Raymond. There are others, too—but wait and see this First National picture Sautrday at the Malone Theatre and you will have the pleasure of seeing each and every one of the silver sheet of this playhouse.

## County Court Matter

Mrs. Minnie Chism, temporary relief, \$20.

In matter of Benton-Charleston road, property owners and court can not agree in matter of damages as follows: Lee Spencer \$800, J. W. Moore \$800, A. Wilhelm \$500, Marshall Land & Merc. Co. \$646, R. L. Buck \$600, court orders proceedings certified to circuit court.

G. J. Arnold, freight, etc., \$98.29.

Ordered that matter of school loan of S. Gibbs of Vanduser be investigated with a view of foreclosure.

A. L. Paschal is appointed road overseer in district 14, and E. E. Grant in district 13.

Annual settlement of Emil Steck, collector, is accepted.

\$10 construction and \$3.33 maintenance money ordered transferred from district 15 to district 12; and \$88.03 construction and \$22.01 maintenance money from district 14 to 15; errors.

J. S. Smith, fees, \$517.20.—Benton Democrat.

Mrs. Harry McFarling of Morehouse was in Skeston, Friday.

## Richard Dix Had Great Time Playing Role in "Icebound"

Richard Dix had a glorious time playing Ben Jordan in William de Mille's Paramount production of "Icebound", the film version by Clara Beranger of Owen Davis' Pulitzer prize play which comes to the Malone Theatre next Monday to remain for two days.

"Ben is real", said Dix. "He isn't all good or all bad. He's neither a hero with a halo or a villain with a cloven hoof, but just like most young fellows."

"I like Ben. I like him because he is willing to fight. I like him, too, because he has sturdy sentiments, and, despite his rearing in the repressed Jordan family, let his emotions sway him. Sometimes Ben is mean and says hard things and makes himself thoroughly disliked; at others he's gentle and kindly. In short, Ben isn't the conventional lead in a moving picture."

"He is one of the most unusual characters I've played on the stage or screen, and I like every moment of him. One moment the audiences will like him and the next they won't. In the end they will realize that he is just a human being, while they may not approve of everything he has done."

"I know Ben. I know many Bens. He went to war; he left his own people and sailed for the battlefields of Europe. His own people were cold—like the land they lived off. In France he met the cheeriness of family life, the smiles of children and the dancing eyes of a pretty girl. Here was warmth—warmth like their land."

"To return to his former life in New England to work a frozen farm, to live among his own people who never smiled and who wore no pretty clothes, was impossible for Ben. When a pretty girl in a bright dress came before him, he hugged her to him. It was this dress made by the girl who loved him and stolen and worn by her rival, that created the climax in his life."

"That is the psychology of Ben—to me. Like so many he was the victim of environment and the reason he rebelled against his surroundings was not that he was innately 'mean' but that his soul underneath was crying for a little warmth, sunshine and happiness. And, after all, how many of us are like that?"

Lois Wilson plays the leading role opposite Dix, and the other important parts are played by Vera Reynolds, Edna May Oliver, Ethel Wales, Mary Foy, Helen Dubois, Alice Chapin, Joseph Depew, Frank Shannon and John Daly Murphy.

## Archaic Blue Laws

There are already 7000 cases against violators of the New Jersey "blue laws" on the docket in Hudson County and the coming Sunday is expected to swell the number if the archaic statutes are enforced. Though it is a far cry from 1798 to 1924, radio outfits and phonographs must be silent, for the eighteenth century laws proscribed all kind of music in the homes on Sunday. The automobile comes in for a better deal, as the law was amended in 1893 allowing Sunday riding in carriages, which includes this modern means of conveyance. Another amendment allows the sale of newspapers, and still another the delivery of milk. But practically all other Sunday activities, with the exception of church-going, are unlawful and the community is virtually 100 per cent a violator of the law.

It has been pointed out that under a strict interpretation, no public utility could be operated on Sunday and that telephones and electric lights and water would have to be shut off for the day. Any travel out of town or into it also would be virtually at a standstill.

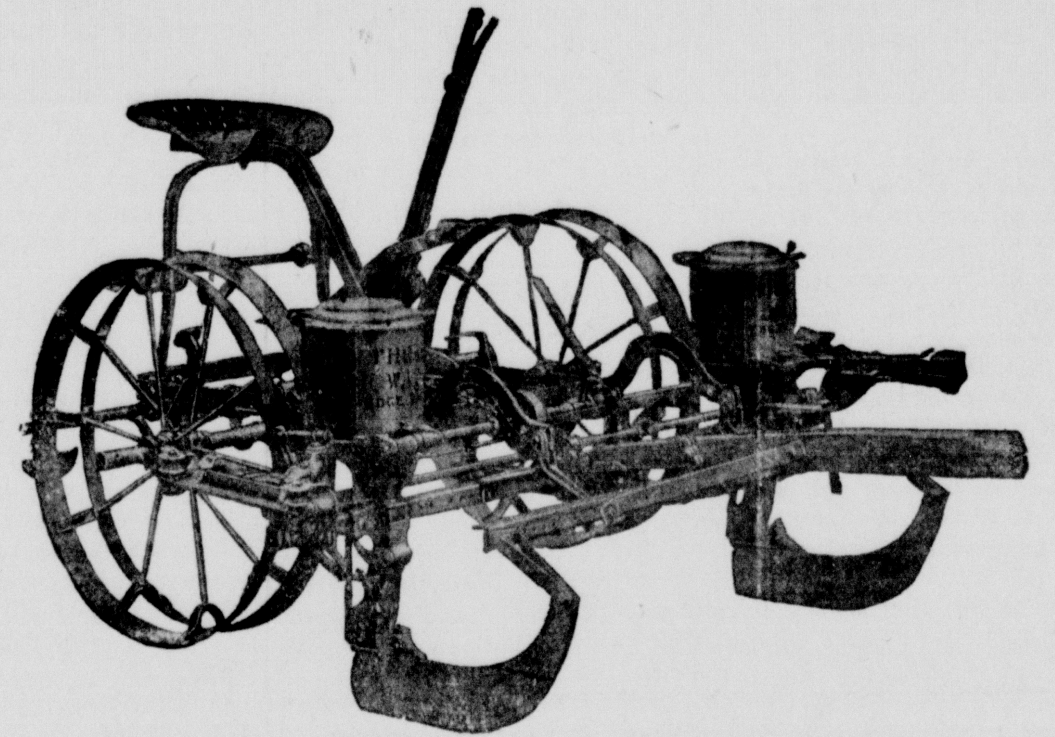
The first amendment, which was enacted in 1804, is the cause of the present trouble, necessary as that amendment was and always will be, for this first amendment allowed policemen to work on the Sabbath. If they expect to enforce the statute in any way they will have to work indeed. And they have been given strict instructions to see that all violations are reported. The authorities are making a little demonstration to the Legislature for the purpose of having these "idiotic provisions" struck from the statute books.

Legislatures generally should repeal such laws wherever they exist.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

One coquettish little hat seen in Paris today is built along the lines of a man's derby. But its brim turns up all the way round. It is made of black straw braid and on top of the crown in the middle of the front is a big white rose.

There is no such thing as a plain shoe in New York at present. Madame and maid alike wear dainty fragile cutout sandals.

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## DAY OF NARROW ROAD HAS NOW GONE BY

Don't build the road narrow. But however it is built, have a right of way ample enough to provide for widening in the future. On these two hang all the law and the profits of modern road building!

An expensive fault of the narrow road is the concentration of traffic. Wheels moving constantly over the same places produce parallel lines of excessive wear. To prevent rapid disintegration of a single track road a heavier foundation and surface is needed than is required for a wider road.

Substantial shoulders at the sides on which the passing traffic may turn out are also necessary, as otherwise the wheels of vehicles turning out to pass will quickly wear ruts at the edges. In these water collects, to penetrate beneath the foundation, with disastrous results. A narrow road with soft earth shoulders is dangerous to motor traffic in slippery weather.

To build the heavier foundation and surface needed to bear the concentration of traffic on a narrow road, and the substantial shoulders at the sides, requires as much money as to build a wider road. On a wide road, traffic is scattered, and wear is distributed. With a paved surface sufficiently wide for two lines of rapidly moving vehicles to pass in safety,

the necessity for artificial shoulders is eliminated. To build a narrow road, thin and without shoulders, means a loss of the entire investment in a comparatively short time.

A narrow right of way requires drainage ditches close to the travel. With no shoulder between paved surface and ditch the chances of serious accident are largely increased. All drainage ditches tend to become deeper, so that the danger to traffic becomes constantly greater.

Before any program for beautification of highways is undertaken, some assurance that the rights of way are wide enough to accommodate future traffic should be had.

Motor vehicle traffic will increase as the mileage of hard roads increases. A general extension in the width of wearing surfaces will call for wider rights of way. To obtain wider rights of way now means an ultimate saving of a large sum of money and will prevent many future difficulties.

Mrs. Horatio N. Slater of Boston has invented a snow plow and snow remover that has enlisted the attention of the Government. The invention has been offered to Mayor Curley of Boston and it will probably be given tests there.

Mme. Clair Eliaso, American wife of a Constantinople banker, has received 10 decorations from foreign countries.

Grease the inside of the casserole when baking beans, using a piece of fat pork. The beans will be much easier to serve if this is done.

The youngest widow pensioner of a soldier of the War of 1812 is Mrs. A. I. Anderson of Cedar Grove, Ga., who is 64 years of age and was married at the age of 22, her husband being 86 at the time of the ceremony.

## WRIGLEY'S after every meal

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WHEN children play leap frog and other strenuous games they spend great energy—which helps them grow. But that energy is replaced and stored up in their sturdy bodies when they eat food which contains the highly nutritive element known as Dextrose.

Because there is such a large percentage of Dextrose in Karo, either Blue Label or Red

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Buy 5 cans of Karo from your grocer, send labels to address above with 40c and you will receive the Syrup Pitcher by parcel post.





## A Big Drainage Project

Jefferson City, April 11.—Plans are being made to obtain federal aid for the largest drainage project ever contemplated, including more than 60 million acres of land in Southeast Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee and Arkansas, at an estimated cost of from 35 million to 40 million dollars. This was learned here today through Roy Godsey, sectional bulletin writer of the state board of agriculture, and information received from the chamber of commerce of Gideon, New Madrid, County.

Eight counties in Southeast Missouri are included in the project and more than 20 million persons will be affected by it, according to estimates.

It is planned by the Gideon Chamber of Commerce and others back of the movement to take up in congress, through Missouri, Kentucky, Illinois, Tennessee and Arkansas members, this vast drainage proposition.

Those sponsoring the movement declare that "the government should help take the water off the land in Missouri, and other Mississippi Valley states, just as it helps put land in arid regions of the West by the construction of huge dams and reservoirs."

Arrangements are being made in Southeast Missouri to obtain engineers to make a complete survey of

the region for which the drainage plans are being made. They intend to have the survey include the approximate acreage of land now under cultivation, the approximate yield on it in the last five years and the probable yield from it under successful drainage conditions. They desire this information, they say, as proof of the annual loss to agricultural prosperity through the lack of drainage. This information, together with the engineer's survey of the region, will be presented to congress.

The matter already has been taken up tentatively with several representatives and senators in congress, including Senator Pat Harrison of Mississippi, Senator Cummings of Iowa, Senator Seldon P. Spencer of Missouri, and others, according to Mr. Godsey, all of whom have expressed keen interest in the proposed project.

General Robert E. Lee, the great Confederate leader, left a thought that would make mighty good reading for a lot of our public officials now days. At the close of the Civil War, he was offered \$50,000 a year to lend his name to an insurance company as president. He needed the money, but he replied, "Don't you think if my name is worth \$50,000, I ought to be very careful about taking care of it?"—Nodaway Democrat-Forum.

## SOME SCOTT COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

Louis Clingingsmith to F. X. Schumacher, lots 3, 4 block 4 Lambert, \$200.

E. L. Griffin to S. H. Hampton, lot 10 and part lot 11 block 35 McCoy-Tanner 7th addition, Sikeston, \$1.

X. Schenider to S. H. Hampton, lots 8 and 9 block 35 McCoy-Tanner 7th addition, Sikeston, \$325.

W. A. Humphrey to Leo Lane, lot 12 block 11 Chaffee, \$1400.

W. W. Robertson to W. H. Heisserer, north 53 feet lot 45 Benton, \$1100.

Mary Robertson and Carrie Pauli to W. H. Heisserer, part lot 45 Benton, \$20.

J. H. Galeener to Tom Dickerson, 119 2/3 acres and other lands in 18-27-13, \$55.

W. F. Dossett and Homer Nafziger to Leo Becker, 161.20 acres 1-27-14, \$9000.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to Gussie Roberts, lot 7 block 5 Sunset addition Sikeston, \$135.

Earl Alberson et al to Wm. Pfeifferkorn, outblock 45 Chaffee, \$25.

John Alberson et al to Wm. Pfeifferkorn, lot 26 block 6 Chaffee, \$45.

N. F. Anderson to Mrs. James Murray, lots 127 Oakdale cemetery, \$12.50.

J. E. Kinkead and W. L. Tomlinson to Martin Summers, lots 1, 2, 3 block 3 Hardy & Keeley addition Fornfelt, \$510.

Mary Scherer to George Scherer, 1 5/16 acres 29-29-14, \$145.

Paul, Ralph and Marie Halter to Charles Slinkard, 82 acres 26-29-12, \$500.

Security Savings Bank to R. W. Finley, part lot 8 block 44 Chaffee, \$650.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to Addie Bowens, lot 7 block 2 Sunset addition Sikeston, \$135.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to Leo Tenkhoff, part lots 9 and 10 block 19 Oran, \$2000.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to C. H. Shively, lots 1 to 12 block 10 Matthews 2nd addition Oran, \$1200.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to T. P. Arch and John Russell, lot 15 block 2 Sikeston, \$2000.

Chaffee I. O. O. F. Lodge to C. E. Clark, lots 1, 2 block 39 Chaffee, \$800.

A. J. Matthews & Co., to Southeast Missouri Lumber Co., lots 10, 11 block 5 Vanduser, \$200.

C. & A. J. Matthews to R. L. Taylor, lots 1 to 4 block 1 Matthews 3rd addition Vanduser, \$10.

Geo. Scherer to Mary Scherer, 3/4 acre 22-29-14, \$1.

W. H. Tanner to France Smith, lot 11 block 7 McCoy-Tanner 9th addition Sikeston, \$1300.

Donald McLees to Jesse Sheppard, lot 5 block 2 Doom addition Ilmo, \$30.

Dock Eldridge to Julia Miller, lots 1, 2, 3 block 2 Eastern A addition Chaffee, \$50.

L. S. McConachie to Alvin Klages, lot 20 block 42 Chaffee, \$1750.

A. C. Sikes to J. S. Kevil, part outblock 39, Sikeston, \$1.

H. C. Young to Theresa Simler, lot 10 block 7 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$300.

J. F. Diebold to Louis Carroll, lot 28 Rockview, \$525.

L. B. Kornegger to N. D. Kornegger, lot 5 and part lot 4 block 5 McCoy-Tanner 1st addition Sikeston, \$1.

L. D. Randol to J. H. Barrett, lots 1, 2 block 31 McCoy-Tanner 6th addition Sikeston, \$1800.

Frances Tanner to A. B. Buchanan, part outblock 28 19-16-14, \$300.—Benton Democrat.

The Sikeston Standard, \$1.50 year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hux, Mrs. O. M. Hux, Mrs. Willis and Mrs. Taylor of Essex were in Sikeston, shopping Friday.

Otis Joslyn and W. U. Meyers, local insurance agents of Charleston, spent Friday morning in this city, on business.

History has been made in the Blanton family in Paris, according to the Monroe County Appeal. Forty years ago the B. F. Blanton family moved into a new home. One night last week was the first time the house has been unoccupied in all that time and the first time its doors had been locked.—Cape Missourian.

James P. Boyd, former Speaker of the House, has the right idea about one of our pressing education problems. Instead of letting a state superintendent say what is or what is not a standard high school, changing standards from time to time and keeping local districts in a condition of uncertainty, Boyd would have the legislature define a standard high school after consulting with recognized authorities in the educational world. This should be followed up by the adoption of uniform textbooks for Missouri schools, such books to be manufactured by the state and distributed at cost.—Paris Appeal.



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## The True Aristocracy

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It is composed of people who are clean.

With my proletaiat brethren I join in the howl against all privileged classes, except this one.

Down with kings, dukes, smart sets, millionaires, snobs and all segregated superiorities, but spare those who wash!

There is a limit to my democracy. I draw the line at dirt. When it comes to smells, either horsey smells or those purchased at the drug store, I am an aristocrat.

I am a lover of the poor and down-trodden, as a matter of principle. As a matter of fact there are instances in which I recoil.

remains stubbornly aristocratic.

I believe in the aristocracy of soap and water.

Universal brotherhood is all right, to a certain extent; but not in microbes. My philanthropy does not extend to bacilli.

When a fellowship means typhoid fever and a number of other diseases, that don't look pretty in print, I take my stand in the haughty society of carbolie acid, listerine and sapollo.

The true aristocracy is antisepticism.

It was a deep instinct that led the founders of most religions to impose baptism as a preliminary rite to joining the brotherhood, because without cleanliness there can be no brotherhood except the brotherhood of death.

And cleanliness applies to thoughts

and emotions as well as to bodies.

I don't much mind what any man thinks, he may be as radical or as crazy as he chooses. I can get along with him, provided his thought is not nasty.

My religious, political, social and philosophical program is wide enough for anything except dirt.

Being clean is not a matter of money, nor of station in life. I have seen grand duchesses who were untidy, marquises who bathed rarely, and poor families who lived on a dollar and a half a day and were neat as a pin.

Cleanliness can of course be carried to excess. So can every good thing, even goodness. The Italians have a proverb, Tanto buon che val niente" (so good he's good for nothing).—Dr. Frank Crane.

The Sikeston Standard, \$1.50 year.

The Mexico Ledger reports the beginning of the construction of a new 1100-foot well which is to bring relief to Mexico from a present water shortage. The cost of the new well will be \$26,000 and it will remove all danger of a water shortage again.

A milling firm of Harbin, China has offered for sale in the local market flour ground from imported American wheat. This wheat was imported via Dairen and amounted to only a few carloads, as the local miller wished to experiment first. However, as the grade of flour obtained from this wheat is very much cheaper and is superior to the local product, it is believed that the flour ground from American wheat will occupy first place in the local market in the future. The simill is also placing on the market a new grade of flour in original American packing.

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## IMPORTANT MEETING HERE LAST THURSDAY

A Southeast Missouri branch of the Associated Industries of Missouri was organized on April 10, at Sikeston.

Representatives from Cape Girardeau, Mississippi, Scott, Stoddard, Butler, New Madrid, Dunklin and Pemiscot County attended this conference which was called for the purpose of arranging plans to closer align labor conditions in Southeast Missouri.

W. R. Schneider of St. Louis, an authority on Workmen's Compensation legislation fully explained the proposed Workmen's Compensation Act that is sponsored by Organized Labor and which will be submitted to the voters at the November election. He states that if such a law was enacted that it would increase the liability premiums of the manufacturers of this state at least 100 per cent and would possibly drive many of the industries of Missouri to neighboring states, owing to the fair liability insurance rates in those states.

At the Sikeston Conference it was planned to arrange complete organization in the eight counties that were represented at the meeting. The following officers were elected: C. L. Harrison of Cape Girardeau was elected chairman; Frank Dillman, Caruthersville, Vice Chairman, and M. G. LaPierre, of Jackson, Secretary. The Executive Committee named follows: Lyman Bowman and John Young, Sikeston; E. W. Flentge and Otto Koetzky, Cape Girardeau; Harry Litzenfelter and Wm. Cryssler, Caruthersville; F. G. Zillmer, Morehouse; Oscar Fuller, Portageville; E. A. Loud, New Madrid; W. S. Meentemeyer, Gideon; Joseph Ashcroft and H. J. Morrison, Poplar Bluff and W. G. Holloway and A. S. Holit of Charleston. Edmund P. Crowe of Dexter was made Director of Publicity for the committee.

Among those present from Sikeston were: Charles F. McMullin, C. D. Matthews, Clarence Bruton, L. R. Bowman, J. N. Ross, W. C. Bowman, H. E. Lehman, G. M. Greer, Thos. B. Dudley, W. L. Hutters, Robert D. Mow, A. Cravens, D. B. Kevil and B. J. Sands.

From Cape Girardeau: J. M. Robinson, J. G. Thompson, E. B. Stone, Otto Koetzky, John H. Himmelberger, C. R. Brabner, John H. Friant, C. W. Bowtin, Melvin Rodebaugh, H. J. Himmelberger, Geo. C. Bolz, E. W. Flentge, Julian Friant.

From Caruthersville: F. J. Cunningham, Frank Dillman, Joseph Ahern, R. H. Fench, W. M. Cryssler.

From Morehouse: F. G. Zillmer, D. L. Fisher, John Porter.

From East Prairie: W. W. Bledsoe, C. D. Mitchell.

From Portageville: J. D. Parker, T. A. Penman, Oscar Fuller.

From Jackson: J. R. Bowman, R. M. McCombs, M. G. La Pierre, W. G. Niblack.

From Poplar Bluff: H. I. Ruth.

From Portageville: Everett B. Gee.

From Dexter: E. C. Mohrstadt, E. P. Crowe and M. T. Minton.

From Illmo: Maurice H. Tripp.

From New Madrid: L. A. Lewis, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wescoat of Matthews spent Friday evening here.

Cecil Reed was a visitor at the home of his sister, Mrs. Bill Malone, Friday evening.

Mrs. Roger Jones, Misses Elise Smart, Lois Willet and Willie Richards of New Madrid attended "Flaming Youth" at the Malone Theatre, in this city, Friday evening.

Marshal Cagle and Miss Hazel Wilson spent Sunday in Cape Girardeau.

The highest tides occur when the attractions of the sun and the moon act in unison. The moon, being closer to the earth than the sun, has the strongest attraction or "pulling power", but the sun pulls the water also, and it is when they pull together in the same direction that the highest tides occur.

Mrs. A. C. Etzel was relieved of her purse Saturday night on the street by an unknown man. Mrs. Etzel and Mrs. Ella Williams were returning home from Mrs. Mary Priddy's, when they noticed someone following them. When they reached the corner at the Catholic church, the man grabbed her purse and fled. The police was notified at once, but no trace could be found. The purse was found Sunday morning on top of a coal shed in the alley, back of the Catholic church where the man had thrown it in his get-away.

## PAVING FISK ROAD MOVING ALONG FAST

Work of laying concrete on the east highway is progressing fast this week. A. W. Robertson of the Energy Construction Company, stated today that a large force of men worked yesterday on the highway, taking advantage of the good weather to speed the work as much as possible.

The work started last Thursday, but actual paving operations started only yesterday. Today the concrete laying machine, a new and large piece of machinery, was grinding out the concrete, pouring and tamping it. This machine, purchased last year by the Energy company, is a wonderful improvement over the old style and equipment formerly used for this work.

The contractors hope to have the work completed by July 1, and with favorable weather it is considered highly probable that the road will be opened shortly after that date.

The Fisk highway will open a large trade territory for Poplar Bluff. Farmers heretofore unable to get to Poplar Bluff in winter months because of the road conditions, will be enabled to travel at all months of the year.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

### Slapped by Weman

Poplar Bluff, Mo., April 10.—Frank B. Newton, state division highway engineer, was attacked in the Ducker Hotel here Tuesday night by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McElroy of Kennett, Mo. Mrs. McElroy had made the statement that she intended to "smack" Newton the first time she saw him. Visiting in Poplar Bluff Tuesday she saw Newton in the lobby of the Ducker Hotel. She entered and approached him and struck him in the face. He grasped her hands and at just this moment her husband stepped up and struck Newton in the face, knocking him against the elevator cage. In striking the cage an ugly wound was cut in Newton's forehead. He did not attempt to defend himself, for the reason, he said, that he did not have his glasses on, and having defective vision he could not see, together by being stunned by the blow.

Newton says the trouble grew out of two road contracts in Dunklin County, over which McElroy was superintendent. He said the work was progressing slowly and in the opinion of the people of Dunklin County, should be done. They registered a vigorous protest, individually and through the Lions Club and other civic organizations at Kennett. The complaint went to the state highway department and Newton, as he chief official in his district, was told to investigate it. Newton said he investigated the trouble and saw the work was dragging, and so notified the bonding company that the contractor had defaulted. The bonding house then ordered the state to make no more payments on the work. Soon after McElroy was relieved.

Mrs. McElroy said she slapped Newton "because he had ruined her husband's reputation as a contractor in this section of the state, had caused and had taken break out of the mouths of her child, her husband and herself."

H. H. Jordan of Charleston spent Friday here on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Putman, who are en route from St. Louis to their home at Campbell, are spending a few days with the former's mother, Mrs. Putman of this city.

Mrs. Martha Steward, age 64 years, died at her home of Trotter street, early Saturday morning. Mrs. Steward had been in ill health for some time. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. R. D. Baker, a brother, Jas. Wilburn and nieces, Mrs. Geo. Winters of New Madrid and Mrs. Summers of Canolou. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the residence at 2:30, by Rev. T. B. Mather. Interment in the City Cemetery.

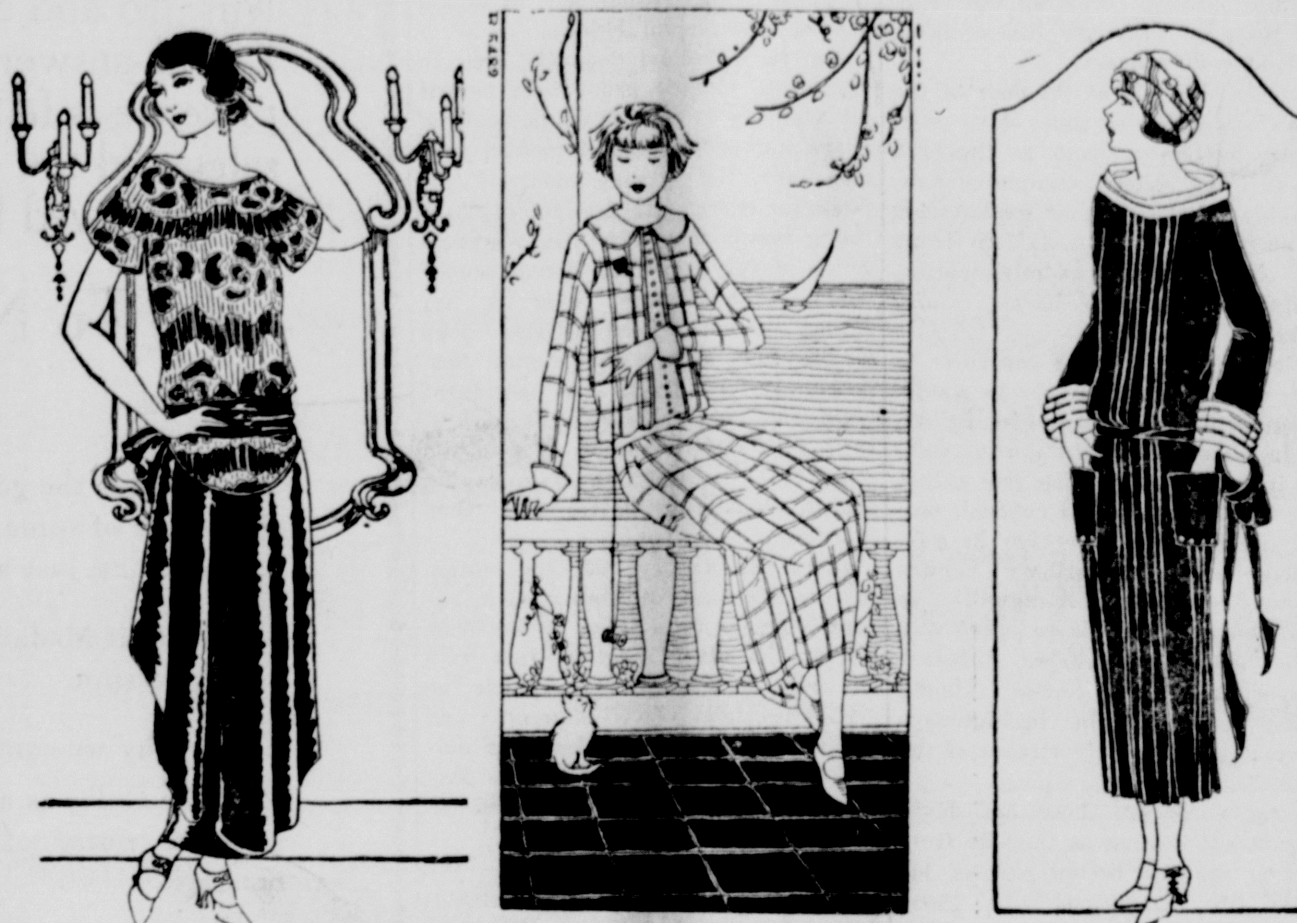
The Sikeston Live Stock Shipping Association was held Saturday night at the Chamber of Commerce room. The following officers were elected: R. A. McCord, re-elected Manager; R. G. Applegate, re-elected Director; W. H. Sikes, Secretary. Other officers that were elected were: John Reiss, W. H. Tanner, J. A. Ross, Theodore Hopper. Manager McCord wishes to report that through this Association, he shipped 79 carloads of cattle and hogs last year.

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## SENATE DEMOCRATS OFFER TAX CUT PLAN

Washington, April 10.—The new revenue bill was formally reported to the Senate today, and along with it was presented a new Democratic tax plan carrying an income tax schedule somewhat similar to the Longworth plan adopted by the House and turned down by the majority of the Senate Finance Committee.

The Democratic proposal, which its sponsors believe will have the support of the Republican insurgent group, carries a maximum surtax rate of 40 per cent on incomes in excess of \$500,000, as compared with the maximum of 25 per cent on incomes in excess of \$100,000 in the Finance Committee bill.

Normal income tax rates proposed in the Democratic plan are 2 per cent on incomes up to \$4000; 4 per cent on incomes between \$4000 and \$8000, and 6 per cent on incomes above \$8,000. All heads of families, irrespective of the amount of their income, would be given the present exemption or \$2500. No other change in the exemptions is proposed.

Senator Simmons of North Carolina, ranking Democrat on the Finance Committee, presented the Democratic substitute just after Chairman Smoot had brought in the majority report of the committee and had announced that he probably would call the bill up for consideration next Wednesday. It would be useless to consider it before then, he said, as Senators would not have time to sufficiently inform themselves of its provisions.

In comparison with the Senate and House surtax schedules the Democratic plan would provide lower rates on the smaller incomes up to about \$50,000. On incomes between that amount and \$80,000 the tax would be about the same, while on incomes

over \$80,000 the Democratic rates would demand more taxes.

The revision of the income bracket to which the rates would apply would make an entirely different average of tax payments all the way up. Senator Simmons in his plan has named the exact amount of tax which would be due on each income, simplifying the computation of the surtax. As an example, on an income of \$50,000, the Democratic plan would call for a surtax of \$3540 plus a tax of 18 per cent on the amount of income in excess of \$50,000, and not in excess of \$52,000. The total normal and surtax which would be paid under the Democratic plan on an income of \$50,000 is fixed at \$5137.50, whereas as under the Mellon rate in the committee bill \$6657.50 would be paid on such an income. The House bill would have decanded a total of \$6190 on a \$50,000 income.

Simmons predicted the schedule as agreed to by the Democratic members of the finance committee would be supported by all but two or three of the Democrats in the Senate.

### SHOWERS LAST HALF OF WEEK FORECAST

Washington, April 13.—Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday:

Upper Mississippi and lower Missouri Valleys: Generally fair at beginning of the week and considerable cloudiness, with probability of occasional showers thereafter. Temperature near normal most of the week.

Mrs. James Kevil entertained the Bridge Club at her home Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Van Horne and Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer left Sunday on a motor trip to St. Louis.

Mrs. C. M. Taylor and children, after spending several days with her mother, Mrs. Nell Estes, returned to their home at Illmo, Sunday.

## NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

A. R. Zimmerman and wife to G. W. Waddle Lot 9 block in Smith's Add. to town of Gideon. \$350.

Callie McCarty to Henry Earl Keith, a parcel of ground in the city of Como. \$500.

Danlee Smith and wife to O. S. Harris and wife: Lot 2 Range E. City of Lillbourn. \$700.

A. R. Zimmerman and wife to Permelia Helena Bryant: Lots 11 and 12, block 1 in Smith's Addition to the town of Gideon. \$1000.

Arthur Hodge and wife to J. M. Byrd: Parcel of ground in the SE 1/4 sec. 4-21-13. \$4000.

Scott County Milling Co. to Jas. T. Huls: Lots 12, 13 and 14, block 1 Charles D. Matthews 5th addition to Matthews. \$450.

Van Vaughn and wife to G. W. Ford: Parcel of ground beginning at SE corner of SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 sec. 24-23-12. \$1.00 and other valuable consideration.

Ruby Smith to W. F. Shelton, Jr. 89.34 acres sec. 21-22-11. \$9000.

Glenn Keller spent the week-end at Cape Girardeau with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foster and children of Vanduser were in Sikeston shopping Saturday.

Miss Edna Caldwell, Mrs. Belote of Charleston, Miss Mattie Caldwell and Bob Boston were among those who attended the St. Louis Symphony orchestra at Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

Ira Lee, former Sikeston High School start athlete, stationed at Selfridge Field, Michigan, aviation, formerly stationed at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas, is in Sikeston on a 90-days leave. He has only fifteen days of his 90, remaining, and will visit relatives in this city during the 15-day period.

## ERECTION OF LARGE BRIDGE STARTS SOON

Machinery which will be used in the erection of the \$143,000 bridge across the diversion channel on Kingshighway, south of Cape Girardeau, was being unloaded today and taken to the proposed site for the bridge by employees of the Liston-Weatherby Construction Co., of Kansas City, which will erect span.

Materials to be used in the bridge construction have been ordered and are on their way, and indications are that work on the structure will be underway within 30 days. It is hoped by the local representatives of the construction company to get the work started and in such shape that the principal span across the diversion channel proper may be placed in position during the dry weather of July, when the water usually is at its lowest stage.

The bridge, which will be erected approximately one half mile west of the present structure which spans the diversion channel will be more than one quarter of a mile in length and will reach from the north to the south levee, completely spanning the law section between the two levees, which, during the highest stage, is inundated.

The distance over the diversion channel proper, 300 feet, will be spanned by steel girders, while the remainder of the bridge will be especially-treated timbers. The steel structure over the channel will rest on a 16-foot concrete base, which in turn will rest on piling driven 50 feet into the earth below the bed of the channel. An effort was made by highway engineers to locate bed rock on which to rest the piers, and although they drilled for more than 100 feet no rock was found.

Fifty men are to be employed in the erection of the bridge, most of them being experienced steel workers. A. J. Baker, a foreman for the construction company, arrived here several days ago to take charge of the work.—Cape Missourian.

Harry Hart of Charleston was a business visitor here, Friday.

Misses Caroline McFadden, Theresa Belote and Lorene Marable, of Charleston were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutchen, Friday.

Mrs. George Winters of New Madrid and Mrs. Summers of Canolou were called to Sikeston Saturday morning on account of the death of their aunt, Ms. Steward.

A negro man by the name of Chester McGee, was caught Saturday afternoon stealing a pair of socks from the H. & S. Store Co. Mr. Hill took him to the City Hall and while Mr. Hill was looking for the Judge, the negro got away and ran down to the Methodist church. He was overtaken and brought back to the City Hall and charged \$10.15.

We know that wages and conditions in our country are not in every place thoroughly just and satisfactory; but we are aware that in Russia, where they are trying a different brand of freedom, the average absolute earnings of labor in all industries last year amounted to \$6.17 a month. In all Russia only 658,000 individuals are subject to an income tax, and 87 per cent of these have incomes of less than \$1,030 a year.—Floyd W. Parson in Saturday Evening Post.

A big Nash automobile driven by Joe Parker with a woman and little child in it, speeding on the curve of the Kingshighway entering Marston, turned over twice and plunged against a fence on the bank of the ditch seriously injuring the man and woman and bruising the child. The driver was badly cut on the head by broken glass of the windshield; the woman, it is reported, had five ribs broken, but the child received only severe bruises as it was thrown into the wire fence. The car was demolished.—Portageville Missourian.

The employees of the local shoe factory have been placed on restricted time, working five days a week, and orders have been given not to employ any new applicants for the present. There seems to be slack times in the shoe manufacturing business and the International Shoe Co. has a large surplus of manufactured goods on hand, wherefore the plant at Cape Girardeau has laid off 200 employees, we are told, and the balance, beginning this week, meaning a reduction of twenty-five per cent in the running time. This may last only a few weeks, but no one can tell.—Jackson Post.

## PAST MASTERS' NIGHT AN IMPRESSIVE AFFAIR

Sikeston Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons dedicated their regular meeting night, Thursday, April 10, to the Past Masters of Sikeston Lodge No. 310, who were now living. On this particular night the sublime degree of Master Mason was conferred upon a Fellowcraft, the work being performed by Past Masters, the first section being performed by F. E. Mount, J. S. Kevil, W. H. Sikes, C. L. Francis, T. W. Hoskins, A. C. Barrett, A. A. Harrison, R. F. Anderson and J. A. Mocabee.

The second section was put on by T. W. Hoskins, C. L. Francis, B. R. Lennox, J. E. Dover, W. H. Sikes, A. C. Barrett, A. A. Harrison, R. F. Anderson, J. A. Mocabee, J. S. Kevil, F. E. Mount.

The Masonic Quartette of Morehouse consisting of E. E. Rogers, W. O. Mason, J. W. Sarff and P. H. Teal, with Master as accompanist, furnished some very enjoyable selections throughout the evening.

After the work of the evening was concluded, refreshments were served in the banquet room, which 160 Masons partook of. Visiting brethren from neighboring lodges were present to fraternize with local Masons.

## COMMUNITY MEETING HELD AT YORK SCHOOL

On Wednesday evening of last week, a community meeting and ice cream supper was held at York school, southeast of Sikeston. A program was given by the pupils of Miss Lillie DeWitt and also by the members of the Christian Endeavor of Little Vine Church.

Following is the program rendered by the Christian Endeavor:

Song—"Call Me Back, Pal O' Mine"

Mrs. Ben Sell, W. Ensor, Miss Garner, Miss Ogle and A. Garner

Paper—Miss York.

Musical reading—"I Love a Little Cottage".....Miss Garner

Reading—"Mandy's Proposal" Miss Ayers

Vocal solo—"No, No Nora" Miss Parker

Reading—"There Ain't No News" Miss Garner

Song—"Mellow Moon" Quintet

Jokes—Ben Sells, Jr.

Piano solo.....A. Garner

Reading—"Wilkins Moves In" Miss Parker

Song—"Last Night on the Back Porch".....Male Quartet

Proceeds of \$15.74 were given to the Sunday School.

Judge Cavanaugh of Canolou was on our streets, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Proffer and little daughter of Dexter motored to this city Saturday to spend the week-end with homefolks.

Mrs. C. L. Blanton, Mrs. T. A. Wilson and son, T. Jr., Mrs. Ruth Matthews, Mort Griffith and Ben Blanton were visitors at Charleston Friday evening.

J. Otto Hahs, who runs a machine shop in Sikeston, came over Sunday and put the Enterprise-Courier's big Babcock press, which was wrecked last week, into good operating order again. Mr. Hahs, while not a press builder, is an expert in the mechanical line and required but a short time to have the wheels turning.—Charleston Courier.

Among those from Sikeston that attended the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra Concert at Cape Girardeau Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stalleup and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, Mrs. Kate Harris, Misses Margaret Harris, Lydia Chaney, Audrey Chaney, Marjorie Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Randol Wilson, Mrs. John Purcell, Misses Effie Campbell, Mildred Kimes, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Denman, Mr. and Mrs. Ranney Applegate, Mrs. B. F. Blanton, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Blanton, Ben Blanton, Mr. and Mrs. Winford, Mrs. Harrington, Miss Helen Grojean, Jean Hirschberg, Miss Frances Caldwell, Lonnie Harrison, Chris Francis, Ernest Arterburn, Dr. McClure, Milton Haas, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Skillman, Vernon Skillman, Mr. and Mrs. John Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Dailey, of Vanduser, Miss Pauline Moore, of Charleston, Dr. H. E. Reuber, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dover, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hardwick and Mrs. Charles Penny of Poplar Bluff.



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Tom Scott as a candidate for the nomination of Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce F. K. Sneed of Chaffee for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Parm A. Stone of Skeston for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce L. P. Gober of Vanduser for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Fred M. Farris, of Benton, as candidate for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Bob Cannon, of Benton, as candidate for Sheriff of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the primary in August.

## COUNTY ASSESSOR

We are authorized to announce Chas. A. Stallings, of Morley, for Assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Geo. C. Bean, of Ilmo, for assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce Angles W. Bowman of Morley, for County Assessor, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce C. C. Myers of Oran as Democratic candidate for the office of Assessor, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

We are authorized to announce James W. Robertson, of Skeston, as a candidate for Assessor of Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the August primary.

## NEW MADRID COUNTY

We are authorized to announce G. F. Deane, of Matthews, as a candidate for Sheriff of New Madrid County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the August primary.

The Annual Fashion edition of The Herald issued Thursday of last week, was one of the most handsome papers received in this office in years. It contained 24 pages and the make-up and mechanical end of the paper could hardly have been improved on.

We in Skeston, who know of the quiet and gentlemanly qualities of F. B. Newton, regret the cowardly assault made on him in Poplar Bluff last week by a Mr. and Mrs. McElroy. This is the reward meted out to him by a derelict contractor for his demand for a dollar's worth of road for every dollar of the people's money expended.

Rudolph Ganz and his St. Louis Symphony Orchestra played to a capacity house at the Teachers' College Auditorium, Cape Girardeau, Sunday afternoon. Music lovers from all over Southeast Missouri were there and seemed to enjoy the Russian music as given, but we have an idea that a good many timber boys like The Standard editor, would have enjoyed some pieces containing more melody and less storms.

There is to be a meeting held at the City Hall this (Tuesday) evening to go over plans for the Boy Scout movement. Skeston has not yet raised her apportionment of the fund for the employment of an entertainer for the boys at \$3000 per year. If we have it right, and we believe we have, this movement to raise \$6000 in Cape, Scott and Mississippi Counties, is to employ a head man at \$3,000 per year whose duty will be to impart new stories and new tricks for the entertainment of the boys, to the local scout masters in each town who get no pay, and they in turn will tell the jokes to the Scouts and show them the tricks. The other \$3000 goes to headquarters to pay the expense of organization and to train the \$3000 main in order that he can tell the stories so it will impress the Scouts. It is a mighty expensive piece of foolishness.

G. P. Van Arsdale is spending a few days in St. Louis.

## Read This, You!

Below is a letter signed by a bank, some business firms and individual business men in and around Pickens, Miss. This letter might have been written from the bank or from any village in the south where cotton is grown.

If our people plant everything in cotton this year and have a big crop and plant no feedstuff they are going to break. If they get 30 cents a pound or their cotton, they will break. The south is going to continue to be half pauper until it grows enough to feed its people and its stock.

Read this letter. It is more forcible than any editorial we could write. These people have had experience. They are not selfish, they are trying to do a kindly act for their neighbors. Of course, their neighbors will be mad, but a little boy is always mighty mad at a dentist who snatches his tooth out. He gets over his mad spell in a few minutes, because his tooth stops aching.

"Warning:

"To Our Friends and Customers:

"Realizing the absolute folly of having to buy all our feed and food for both man and beast, instead of raising it, then trying to get rich by planting the face of the earth in cotton at the expense of all other crops. This plan is entirely too risky for us to continue; therefore, we have decided that, after this year, we will discontinue credit to anyone who does not make his farm self-sustaining by producing feed and food for man and beast on his own farm.

"Our observations have been that the man who gets ahead and stays ahead, is the man who always considers his feed and food crops of the first importance, then raises what cotton he can. On the other hand, the fellow who fails to raise his feed, and always has to buy it, is continually in debt and gets at little deeper and deeper in debt each year. It makes no difference if cotton should sell for \$1 per pound, these things would go up in proportion and leave you in the hole. Your prosperity does not depend on how many bales of cotton you produce each year or what you get for it, it depends on the profits you make out of your year's operations, and the man who has to buy his feed shows a loss instead of profit.

"It is very embarrassing to you, an equally so to your merchant or banker, for you to have to beg for just a little more credit every time your family needs a square meal, or you need enough lard or fat meat to cook a mess of greens.

"Let's quit gambling on cotton; let's get down to a safe and sound basis by first raising our living at home, then planting what cotton we can work over once each 10 days. Play safe by planting all the corn, peas, potatoes, a good garden, hay and cane and everything we need for both man and beast, then raise more cotton on less acres.

"Credit is a very faithful servant when used judiciously but we have been subjecting it to the most flagrant abuses; somewhat like our live stock, we have been overworking and underfeeding it until the burden is getting too heavy for it to continue to carry.

"We have the best country under the sun; we have the climate, the soil. We can produce at a profit most any crop that can be produced anywhere else, provided we work it properly. We have an ideal dairy, hog, cattle and poultry section, all of which we have been neglecting. We surely can raise our feed and food crops much cheaper than our merchants can have it shipped it, pay the freight, drayage and numerous other charges, then sell it to you on credit and carry you until fall. It's worth trying anyhow.

"Remember, we will not grant credit in 1925 to anyone who has not raised his feed and food crops in 1924. If he has failed, he must convince us that he has made an honest effort and has failed through no fault or neglect on his part.

"More cotton on less acres, feed and food for man and beast on every farm, means prosperity to all.

"Yours for success,

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—Commercial Appeal

An inventor in Vienna announces that he has invented a flying machine that flaps its wings like a bird. He says his plane can rise straight up in the air, also that it's fool-proof and virtually unable to fall. All he needs now is a backer with money. You'll join in wishing you had a dollar for every one of these miraculous discoveries that shoot into the limelight like a skyrocket and 99 times out of 100 are never heard of again.

## On The Mourners Bench.

Apparently blocked in his ambition to be the presidential nominee of his party, Senator Hiram Johnson is out in a statement, in which he mercilessly flays the Republican leaders. No Democrat has ever presented a more scathing arraignment of the G. O. P. methods and administration than does the Californian.

We know nothing of the senator's church affiliation, but his attitude indicates that he would make a good Methodist. He seems to be on the mourner's bench, repenting of his connection with a party which he declares is "dominated by the unholy alliance between crooked business and crooked politics."

No one question that Senator Johnson, whom the great state of California had so often and so justly honored, is an American before he is or has been a Republican. Once before, in 1912, he refused to bend his neck to the yoke fashioned by the "old guard" and turned his back to the organization, becoming the running mate of Theodore Roosevelt on the Progressive ticket.

But the sins laid at the door of the Republican party in those days were nothing like as grievous as the ones of which the senator complains now. Speaking of the "era of exploitation and entrenched dishonesty" in these days of Republican administration, Senator Johnson says in his statement:

"When every coward scurries to cover, every craven crawls to power, apologists masking as opponents excuse because they assert it runs rampant in every party, with few exceptions, unite to hide and conceal, palliate and belittle corruption in government; when ugly bribery excites not even conventional indignation in those whose duty it is to speak a people's voice—somewhere, someone, however weak and feeble, should publicly preach again in highways and byways the homely virtues of the republic."

Strong words are these, and doubly significant coming as they do from one who for the better part of his political life has trained with those at whom they are hurled.

But the favorite son of California, who did his part in 1920 to pile up the great majority of the Republicans, goes further in denouncing the forces of his own party arrayed against him. Declaring that he has made a fight to "rid the Republican party of a corrupt and reactionary control," Senator Johnson continues:

"Every financial power, every organization, every office-holder, local and federal, money without stint, the mess with all its ramifications, every avenue of publicity, the grand army of political crooks, and crooked business with all its ramifications, every individual with a streak of yellow, and every timid fellow who expects political power or preferment have been on the other side. That I have received as many votes as I have, without funds or aid at all, is a tribute to our citizenship, and is a matter of congratulation, and spurs to renewed effort for decency in politics and government."

At the risk of being accused of proselytizing, we come to the senator in this dark hour of his conviction and point out to him the one way of political salvation.

"As long as the light holds out to burn the vilest sinner may return." We bid the senator to shake off his sackcloth and ashes, girl his loins with truth, put on the breastplate of political righteousness, and join forces with the party of Jefferson, that the wicked may be made to cease from troubling and the government made responsive to the people who have suffered for his sins.

There is no other way. Again the voice of Joshua is heard ringing down the avenues of time: "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve."

Michigan, Illinois and Nebraska have sent the senator to the political mourners' bench. We hope that he may see the light and his be numbered with the spirits of just men made perfect.—Commercial Appeal.

Thin tub silks in navy with half-formed squares and circles of white now being shown present a cool and attractive appearance. With the organdie collar and cuffs of white they are particularly dainty.

Hog production in Missouri has reached its zenith and is now on the declining order. The sensational increase in the last two years of hog production in Missouri was never before equalled. The very marketing of brood sows and stock hogs has decreased the number of hogs over a wide section in other states. As reported by the crop reporting service Missouri marketed the largest number of hogs in 1923 that was ever fed and shipped to market, more than any other year of record, nominally in round numbers 5,128,157 head. The decline in hogs at this time is given as a reason for high priced corn and low priced hogs.

## 'ANNA CHRISTIE' IS A REALISTIC DRAMA

"Anna Christie", written for the stage by Eugene O'Neill and translated to the screen by that other lover of the sea and artistic realism—Thomas H. Ince—is a strictly twentieth century offering. The "Situations" that wreck homes and lives today are almost identical with those that have troubled other ages.

The plot maker finds his scope of invention limited because life likes to repeat. In the past centuries a stilted prudery has encouraged hypocrisy and false modesty. Only in this day and age have playwrights and picture producers had the courage—and audiences the assurance—to dissect stark realism that goes into the making of a masterpiece like "Anna Christie" behind the footlights and on the screen. This is a First National picture, which will be at the Malone Theatre on Friday.

Not for a second does Mr. Ince in his latest picture production permit his audience to escape from realism. Elemental people and elemental passions are the strong meat of this powerful story. He has told it in a rising tempo that bursts into a crescendo of fury in the "great scene" when "Anna" fought over by her father and sweetheart as two dogs would worry over a bone, tears herself away from them in a passion of rage and quiets their futile bickerings with the confession of a sordid past, that reduces them to gaping stares, shuddering horror and then murderous rage.

In all the history of the motion picture drama no mightier scene has been screened than this. It has been put on the silver sheet by Ince with the same dramatic fire that made the critics proclaim O'Neill a genius and Paulin Lord the finest character actress of her type while the stage play was running in this country and in London.

Blanche Sweet, beloved to the screen "fans" since the old Biograph days when her "Judith of Bethulia" made her famous, has created one of the great women of the screen with her interpretation of "Anna". The waif of the northwest, sent to Minnesota by a sentimental old father who believes that there she will be safe from "dat old devil sea" which has claimed the lives of his father and brother, only to be betrayed by a cousin and forced into the life of the streets is a pathetic creature who rings the inmost heart strings.

When she emerges triumphant from her past, redeemed by the influences of the sea and a great love which comes to her, the realization of impending tragedy which hangs over her because her sweetheart loves her selfishly as "the only decent woman" he ever has known, brings a dramatic tension almost unbearable until the situation is resolved by the girl's passionate confession.

George Marion, who plays the role of "Chris", the old squarehead father, created the same part in the screen production and played it through the successful run of the play in this country and in London. Marion has long been known to the world as a true artist both through his character acting and his countless successful stage productions. His portrayal of the screen "Chris" is one of the most individual characterizations of the silver sheet.

William Russell, who completes the trio of featured players in the picture, is equally compelling as "Matt Burke", Anna's Irish stoker sweetheart. Russell delineating fine shades of emotion and overwhelming passion is a revelation to followers who are more familiar with his athletic prowess in fast action stories.

"Anna Christie" will live on when man other current offerings have gathered dust on the shelves of forgotten pictures. It is a compelling presentation of compelling emotions that grips with sways and tears at the heart with an intensity that would be unbearable were it not for the fine comedy relief touches supplied by Chester Conklin and "Buddy", his pet goat. It towers above any previous Ince offering—and there have been many called great by the critics—like a mighty mountain peak. John Griffith Wray directed the production, which was adapted for the screen by Bradley King.

OBTAINED EVIDENCE BEFORE  
FOREST FIRE WAS STARTED

An interesting example of detective work in the Forest Service recently occurred in California, when officers of the Forest Service secured evidence against an automobilist who violated the camp-fire regulations before the camp fire was even built. This sounds like Sherlock Holmes, but here is how it happened.

A tourist from one of the Eastern States established a temporary camp in the Trinity National Forest, Calif. On an inspection trip a forest ranger photographed this particular camp to secure a picture for use in a report on camping sites in his district.

A few days later this ranger was called out to fight a forest fire that had plainly started from a camp fire left burning by some careless camper who had moved on to parts unknown. The ranger remembered having included an automobile in the photograph he had taken of this particular camp site a few days before. Hurrying back to headquarters he examined the negative, and with the aid of a magnifying glass picked out the number of the license plate on the pictured automobile. He then sent a description over the telephone to adjacent towns and ranger stations and landed his man, who admitted his carelessness, paid his fine, and continued on his way with a new appreciation of what was meant by "Be sure your camp fire is out—then bury it."

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Crumpecker of Morehouse attended the show in this city, Friday evening.

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Last week County Superintendent John H. Goodin was in the southern end of the county conferring with Superintendent Roy V. Ellise of the Skeston school and also with the board at Dunaver.

The school in the Dunaver district was blown off the blocks by the recent tornado, and the district needs a negro school building. It was decided that the white children would be transported to Skeston and the old school will be used by the colored folks.

Dunaver and Minner adjoin and a move was on to consolidate the two districts, the former favoring the idea and the latter voting against it, en out.

so the result will be that Minner will build both white and colored schools, the building formerly used having been demolished by the tornado.—Benton Democrat.

Only 44 women in Spain have taken out licenses to drive their own automobiles.

In 1919 and 1920 seven and a half billion dollars worth of new oil stocks were offered to investors. New oil stock issues now are averaging about seventy-five million dollars a month, or not quite a billion a year. Some oil stocks are good investments, no doubt. Many others are not, as investors with singed wings will testify. More money has gone into the ground in recent years than was taken out.

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PRELIMINARY TRACK MEET  
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The following schools of Southeast Missouri are the entries to be in the preliminary events at the Fair Grounds Friday afternoon, in this city:

Boys' Track—Chaffee, Blodgett, Benton, Cape Girardeau, Bridges, New Madrid, Jackson, Charleston, Sikeston, Oran.

Girls' Track—Blodgett, Benton, Bridges, New Madrid, Charleston, Sikeston.

Cooking—Benton, Cape Girardeau, Bridges, New Madrid.

Mrs. Ernest Crumpecker of Morehouse attended the funeral of Mrs. Martha Steward, in this city, Monday.

Mrs. May Hawkins, who has been a patient at St. Mary's Infirmary at Cairo, is much improved and is expected home the last of this week.

Mrs. Chas. Penny, of Poplar Bluff, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Young.

Mrs. O. W. McCutchen and children were visitors at Charleston Friday evening.

Miss Hyacinth Sheppard spent Sunday in New Madrid, the guest of Miss Elsie Smart.

Mrs. Josie Hart, Mrs. D. L. Fisher and Mrs. Fisher of Morehouse were shopping in this city Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Reed and babe and Mrs. Eva Reed of Benton were the Sunday guests of Mrs. Bill Malone.

The annual Easter bazaar of the Christian Church will be held on April 19th. Anyone wishing Easter eggs, phone 387.

Misses Ella Wright, Pearl Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. Pharris and children spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kem, at Minner Switch.

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## TRACK and FIELD MEET

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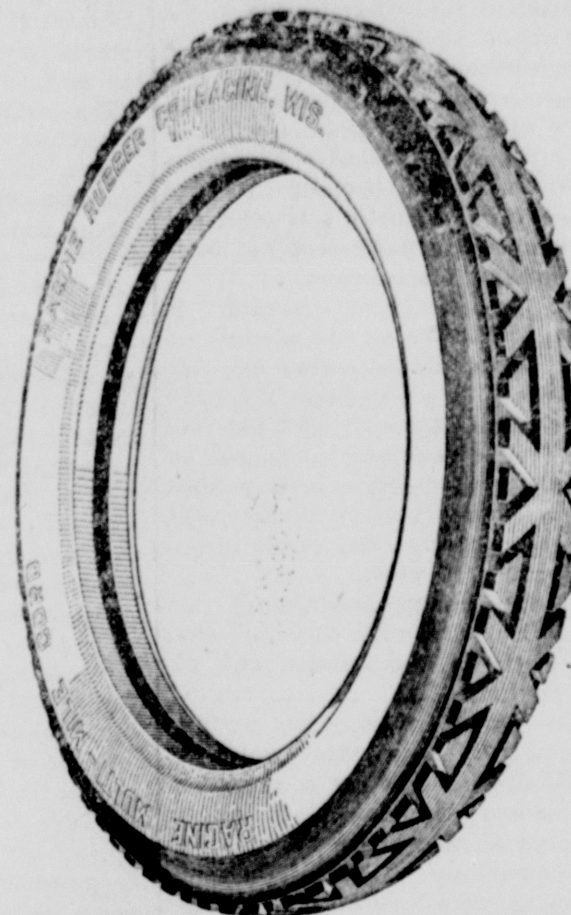
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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS  
FROM MATTHEWS

Judge G. D. Steele and wife attended church in Sikeston, Sunday morning.

G. F. Deane returned home Saturday from Gideon, where he has been the past week as one of the viewers of District Ditch No. 38.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ray Monday, April 7th and left a fine baby girl.

Mrs. Leon Swartz and Mrs. F. S. Sibley were Sikeston visitors, Friday.

Mrs. Tenny Burch returned last week from Catron, where she has been the past few weeks, visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ratcliff and Mrs. E. M. Ratcliff were Sikeston visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Sterlin Jones of Pharris Ridge was a Matthews visitor Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane and little daughter, shopped in Sikeston Saturday.

The District Track Meet was held in Matthews Friday to determine who the winners would be for the County Meet at Portageville April 24th and 25th. The name of the winners are as follows: Declamatory contest, Mayola Emory, Matthews; spelling, Erma Wilson, Werner school; athletic events, Lawrence Harding, pole vault and running, Matthews; Jack Parker, high jump and broad jump, Canoy school. A great deal of praise is due to our teachers for giving Matthews her first track meet, which was so much enjoyed by the people of this place. A large crowd was in attendance from over the district.

Mrs. John Smith and children of Canolou and Mrs. John Southerland of Portageville attended the track meet here, Friday.

Rub Bornhart and Alfred Deane were Sikeston visitors, Saturday.

Mrs. James Coghlin of Canolou visited her mother, Mrs. George Elderbrook Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dickerman of Crowe District was in Matthews Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Randolph and little son, Herbert Lee of Pharris Ridge spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Nannie Lee.

Mr. Blanchard of Portageville, a candidate for sheriff of New Madrid County, was in Matthews Thursday. He was accompanied by John Collier of New Madrid.

Mrs. Hensley and little daughter of Pharris Ridge attended the track meet in Matthews, Friday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Burr Mills, a fine baby girl.

Miss Flo King spent Saturday in Sikeston, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Buchanan.

Mrs. J. P. Rice of Chaffee is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gossitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarthy and children and Miss Elrene Shelton of

Sikeston visited relatives in Matthews, Sunday.

Misses Mary and Addie James, who are employed in the shoe factory in Sikeston, spent the week-end at home.

Mrs. Wes Depro has recovered from a serious spell of sickness.

Mrs. James Lancaster and children and Mrs. Homer Lancaster and children of White Oak No. 2 attended the track meet in Matthews, Friday.

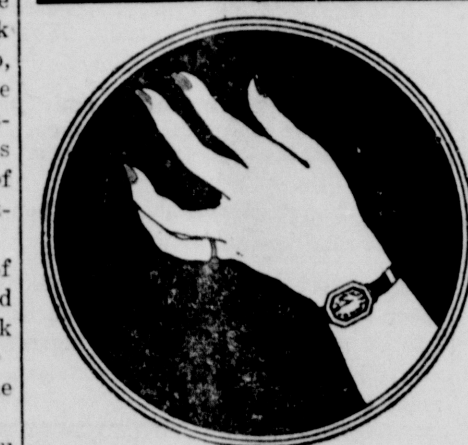
J. A. Alsop was called to St. Louis Saturday by a telegram on account of the serious illness of his daughter, Mrs. W. M. Wilson.

Mrs. Gord Dill spent Monday at Cape Girardeau.

Miss Mildred Coleman of Como, Miss., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Coleman.

The home of A. E. Shankle was broken into Saturday night about 10:30. Several small articles were taken. Night Marshal Noblin located all the stolen goods Sunday morning in the alley. No arrests have been made.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sikes, John and Kendall Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Matthews, Mrs. Kate Harris and Mrs. Betty Matthews attended the wedding of Miss Judith Wilkinson and Riley Brown of Charleston Friday evening.



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FROM MOREHOUSE

Rev. Mayfield of Essex filled the pulpit here on Sunday morning and Rev. Doss of Morehouse went to Essex to fill the pulpit there.

Jess Banks of Dexter spent the week-end with his brother, Phillip Banks.

Mrs. O. M. Hux and Mrs. Jimmy Hux of Essex were Morehouse visitors on Friday.

Mrs. Frank Leming spent Tuesday in Dexter shopping and visiting with friends.

Mrs. Ada Powell, who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. D. L. Fisher for sometime, expects to return to her home in Logansport, Ind., Tuesday. Miss Betty Fisher will accompany her grandmother home for an extended visit.

The Morehouse quartet composed of J. W. Sarff, W. O. Mason, E. E. Rodgers and P. H. Teal, furnished a musical program for the Masonic Lodge of Sikeston on Thursday night. Ralph Masterson accompanied the quartet and also played several piano selections.

Paul Teal and family were shopping in Sikeston, Friday.

Ernest Crumpecker has purchased a new Chrysler Six touring car this past week.

Mrs. Maude Dunafée, Mrs. Sherman Anderson and Mrs. Legan of Gideon spent Sunday with John Dunafée and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Mathis spent the day Monday in Bloomfield visiting relatives.

Several from here attended the musical at Cape Girardeau Sunday, by the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra.

Mrs. Hart of Dexter was here visiting her daughter, Miss Lurlyne Hart, the first of last week.

Mrs. Ed Hindman and Mrs. I. H. Dunaway were in Sikeston, shopping, Wednesday.

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Methodist Church are going to have an Easter bazaar and bake sale Saturday all day at the office of W. R. Griffin. Come and buy an Easter bonnet.

Mrs. J. W. Sarff was in Cairo shopping Saturday.

Mrs. Jennie Marshall of St. Louis was here the first of last week looking after property interests.

Mr. Gaines of Sedalia, adjutor for the Hartford Insurance Company, was here on Saturday, adjusting losses caused by our recent tornado.

Sam Usrey and Miss Mabel Berry of Dexter were quietly married at Dexter on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. John Fox of Sikeston and daughter, Mrs. Law and babe, of Malden, passed through Morehouse Thursday on their way to Malden, Mrs. Law's home.

Miss Laura Mae Murphy and Miss Rita Hall spent the week-end in Canolou visiting the Gruin girls.

Guy Owens was kicked by a horse

Sunday morning and was seriously injured. Mr. Owens is superintendent of the Nazarene Sunday school. Miss Grace Holmes and John Albritton motored to Dexter Sunday. Miss Lurlyne Hart spent the week-end in Cape Girardeau visiting with friends.

Misses Elizabeth Welch and Irene Cox were Cape Girardeau visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Derris and children and Mrs. A. C. Etzel spent Sunday at Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. A. W. Robinson of Poplar Bluff will be the guest of Mrs. W. H. Sikes the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Koch of St. Louis are now located in the Chaney flats. Mr. Koch is connected with the Electric Maid Bakery.

J. Banks and son, J. Banks, Jr., of Oran and Mr. and Mrs. L. Wagoner of Dexter were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lampert.

Misses Mree and Blanche Swanagan and Allen Harrison and Bill Craston attended the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra concert at Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Priddy is on the sick list this week.

Jas. Jacobs of Morley spent Saturday here on business.

Bert Rowe of Charleston spent Saturday here on business.

Miss Lina Calhoun of Chaffee was the Saturday guest of Mrs. John Fox.

Dr. McClure has disposed of the Vernon Vaughn property on North Ranney.

Mrs. George Taylor of Kansas City, Mo., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Randol.

P. H. Stevens, who has been confined to his bed for several days with the flu, is improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kendall and little daughter, of near Kewanee, visited friends and relatives in Sikeston, Saturday.

The Russell-Bradley Missionary Society met Friday night at the home of Mrs. Paul Anderson, with several members present.

Miss Frances Densmore, an expert on Indian music, has been appointed to the staff of the National Museum at Washington. Miss Densmore spends her summers among various tribes studying and rewriting their music.

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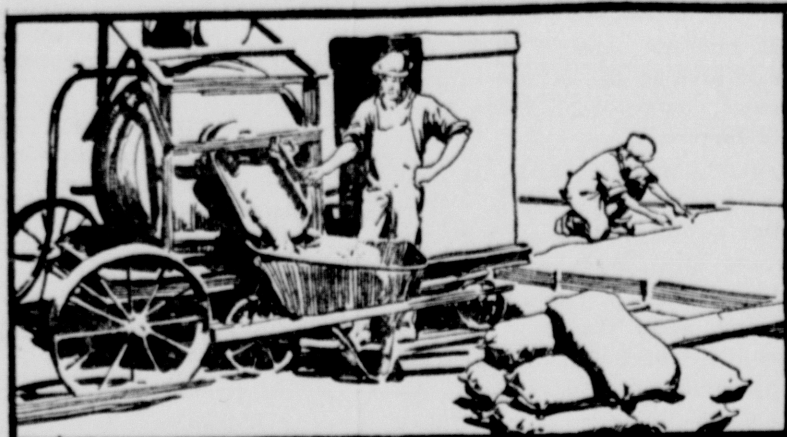


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**NEW SPRAY WILL KILL BOLL WEEVIL, CLAIM**

New York, April 12.—The Texas Company, it was announced tonight, contemplates the marketing of a new process for exterminating the boll weevil, which annually takes a toll of millions of dollars from cotton growers in the south. Experiments with the new process, which is a spray and is believed to employ petroleum or some byproduct of it as a base, were conducted last year, and the results are understood to have been entirely satisfactory.

At present calcium arsenate is used in virtually all the sprays to fight the weevil, but owing to the limited supply of arsenate, the price is high and the use of such exterminators add considerably to the cost of producing cotton. The new product of the Texas Company is materially less expensive than any of the arsenate sprays now used.

Amos L. Beatty, president of the Texas Company, made the following announcement, in connection with the new process:

"The Texas Company has perfected an arrangement under which it contemplates marketing a spray to exterminate boll weevils. A patent has been allowed to the inventor and the company will pay a royalty. Experiments were conducted during the latter part of last season. They were surprising in results.

"In abundance of caution, however, the company will make further experiments this year as soon as the hope of removing every possible doubt. It will not proceed until that point is reached.

"Preliminary marketing plans are being made, so that if the final test is satisfactory, the product will be available during the coming season. It will not be expensive.

"The aim of the company will be to perform a public service and it will not go in for large profits. Further announcement will be made at the proper time."

**ADVERTISING SIGNS TO GO FROM ROADS**

That the advertising sign at the side of the road may prove a detriment to the thing advertised instead of promoting sales, is being more and more recognized by large users of bill-board space. It is being brought home to advertisers that road users hotly resent the blatant sign covering up a beautiful vista or profaning a lovely landscape.

Co-operation in sign removal has had unexpected impetus from the Standard Oil Co., on the Pacific Coast, which has decided to eliminate certain objectionable signs from the highways.

"Convinced that highway advertising signs detract from the natural beauty of the great routes of travel of the Pacific Coast," says an official of Standard Oil, "this company has decided that it will erect no more such signs and that it will immediately remove all of its signs of this nature now standing. Hereafter the company will confine the use of signs to commercial locations. This company was among the first of oil concerns to engage in this form of advertising and is now glad to be the first to discontinue it."

Nearly 1200 large, round permanent signs in California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, and Arizona are consigned to the ax by a general order.

Ute Pass, near Colorado Springs, has for long been defaced with a large number of signs. Recently the Colorado Automobile Club, which is deeply interested in the work of beautifying highways, removed more than one thousand signs from the pass. At the same time the club ordered ten thousand trees to be planted in nurseries and later used to embellish the roads leading to Colorado Springs.

Among the many large bill-board users in the East who have declared their intention to aid in the beautifying of highways by the elimination of signs, are such well-known persons as Kelly Springfield Tire Co., Pillsbury Flour Mills Co., Washburn Crosby Co., Champion Spark Plug Co., B. F. Goodrich Rubber Co., Sun Oil Co., Hood Rubber Co., Ajax Rubber Co., Ward Baking Co., Dodge Brothers, Gulf Refining Co., Texas Co., and the Fleischmann Co.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lewis of Bertrand spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. John Fox and family.

WANTED—General housework. Address Mrs. Laura Ash, Sikeston, Mo., General Del.

FOR SALE—Oak kitchen cabinet, with porcelain top, leatherette couch. Apply 229 North St.

LOST—Wrist watch, Elgin, between Tanner street and grade school. Initials M. E. B. engraved on back. Liberal reward for the return of same to Melvin Bowman.

**PAUL BROWN GIVES \$50,000 TO SCHOOL**

St. Louis, April 11.—A gift of \$50,000 has been offered Marvin College at Fredericktown, Mo., by Paul Brown of 10 Washington terrace, investment broker, contingent upon the faculty raising an equal amount in the next 90 days.

The contribution was offered after Mrs. Ruth Barnes, president of the college, had explained to Brown a proposed change in the policy of the college which the Board of Curators has had under discussion.

A committee has been appointed by the board to work out a plan for introducing self-help features into the college to make it possible for boys and girls of Missouri to get an education at a nominal cost, it being understood that the students will work a certain number of hours a week under competent supervision as a part payment on tuition and board. The purpose of the change is to put education in the reach of many who would not otherwise obtain it, and at the same time to give training to the hand as well as to the head, and make the dignity of labor an essential part of the educational program.

Plans have been adopted for a campaign to meet the condition of Brown's gift, and it is believed that the proposition will meet with the hearty response of all Methodists of the St. Louis Conference.

Brown is a leading Methodist layman of the St. Louis Conference and a member of St. John's Church. He has made other substantial contributions to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as evidence of his confidence in its forward movements. He recently made a large contribution to the Superannuate Endowment.

The Board of Curators of Marvin College, elected by the St. Louis Annual Conference, are as follows: The Rev. Ivan Lee Holt, chairman; F. L. Wells, J. W. Fristoe, and Louis Boeger, of St. Louis; the Rev. J. N. Broadhead, Farmington; the Rev. A. C. Johnson, Cape Girardeau; the Rev. H. P. Crowe, Poplar Bluff; the Rev. W. E. Brown, West Plains; R. G. Applegate, Sikeston; C. L. Whitener, Fredericktown and Fletcher S. Crowe, secretary, of St. Louis.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 14, MARKET REPORT**

**COTTON CLOSE**  
NEW ORLEANS NEW YORK  
May 30.07 30.00  
July 28.52 28.68  
October 24.35 28.68  
December 24.06 24.48  
New York Spot cotton 110 lower 30.40  
New Orleans Spot Cotton 112 lower, 30.38  
Memphis Spot Cotton 100 lower, 30.75  
1400 bales.

Chicago hogs reets, 56,000 stdy 7.65.  
St. Louis hogs reets, 14,000 5 up 7.80.  
**CHICAGO GRAIN CLOSE**  
Futures

Wheat—  
May 101½  
July 103½  
September 104½

Corn—  
May 77½  
July 78½  
September 78

Oats—  
May 46½  
July 44  
September 44

**ST. LOUIS CASH**  
No. 2 Red wheat 113-114  
No. 3 Red wheat 109  
No. 3 Mixed corn 78-80  
No. 4 Mixed corn 76½-78  
No. 2 yellow corn 84  
No. 3 yellow corn 80-80½  
No. 3 White corn 78½-79  
No. 2 White oats 50½

**WEATHER**—  
All cotton states cloudy and unsettled, some showers. Warmer.  
Grain states, fair and warmer.

Geo. Lough spent Thursday evening at Charleston with friends.

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Boxes and Boxes of Whitman's Chocolates, Bonbons, Candied Fruits and Nut Dainties from which you may choose the assortment which she likes best.

Our usual guarantee of satisfaction assures you that the quality will be of the highest.

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Sikeston, Mo

**Clear Up the Charges**

A special committee of the Senate will investigate the charges brought in the indictment against Senator Wheeler, prosecutor of the Department of Justice investigation, by a Federal grand jury in Montana. This decision is well advised in the interest of the public.

Senator Wheeler emphatically denies every charge brought against him. He acknowledges acceptance of a fee in the case to which reference is made in the indictment, but denies ever appearing as an advocate before any department of the Government.

No evidence has yet been given the public on which to base judgment. But the charge must not be permitted to stand without prompt action. If Wheeler is guilty of having sold his influence in the Government after being elected to high office he should not now be investigating the misconduct of other officials but should be exposed and punished. On the other hand, if he has been basely attacked for the purpose of discrediting and wrecking the investigation of the Department of Justice, his strength and the power of his cause will increase with vindication.

The investigation of the Department of Justice should not be interrupted while Wheeler himself is on trial. Such interruption would serve the purpose of anybody interested in bringing false charges and would comport with tactics hitherto practiced by the National Republican Committee. Wheeler must be presumed innocent until he is proved guilty. The power of the Senate should be invoked to insure the integrity of the investigations by vigorously meeting all responsible charges against the investigators.—Post-Dispatch.

Jack Shelton of Dexter was a visitor here Monday.

Garden Seed at Farmers Supply Hardware. A Big Package 5c.

E. P. Coleman is spending a few days in Mississippi on business.

In Doahomey when a girl reaches the age of 18 she at once sets out to find someone willing to marry her, and sometimes they take a husband on trial for a couple of months before choosing him permanently.

Miss Edna Cutter, who in Smith College majored in history and botany, has put her heart, mind and physical power into farming at Dracut, a few miles from Lowell, Mass., where she operate a large farm.

W. A. Pinkerton, head of the Pinkerton National Detective Agency, left by will to his two daughter, Mrs. Joseph Watkins and Mrs. Margaret Pullman, an estate amounting to \$1,595,000. This does not include the interest in the detective agency.

When the first gas street lamp was lighted at Wall Street and Broadway, New York City, the crowd that gathered to witness the ceremony kept at a respectful distance because of the fancied danger of an explosion. The first gas container of this old gas New York company had a capacity of 18,000 cubic feet of gas. Now the same company has gas holders having a capacity of 15,000,000 cubic feet each. In those early days the price of gas was \$10 a thousand cubic feet. Last year there was made and sold in the United States nearly 400 billion cubic feet of manufactured gas.

Miss Ruth Litt has been chosen by the Republican women of Nassau and Suffolk counties in New York to run against Col. Roosevelt as a candidate to the National G. O. P. Convention at Cleveland next summer.

Miss Rebecca Pierce spent Friday at Chaffee. Mrs. J. H. Kready spent Monday at Cairo, with Miss Violet Benson, who is a patient at St. Mary's Infirmary.

**Musical Instruments**

A shipment of small goods came in this week and may be found in our showcases. Included in the shipment are several violins at very attractive prices—the kind for beginners, some guitars, banjo-ukes, ukuleles, harps of all kinds and descriptions, strings and accessories for all instruments, in fact, there's plenty of these small items here to give you what you want. Try us.

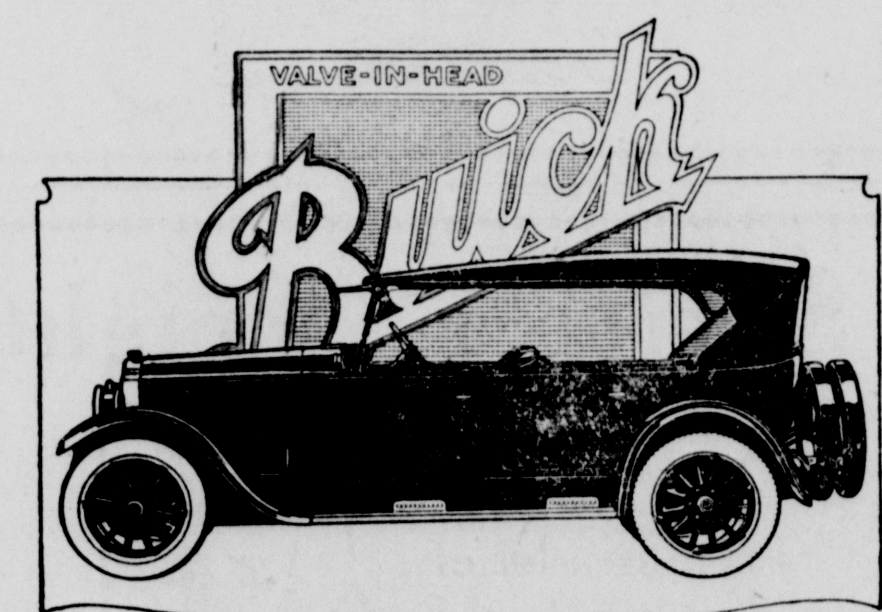
We have two large racks loaded to the brim with new piano rolls. There is no reason why you shouldn't knock some of the dust off the keys of your piano and try a few of these late hits. You'll like them.

There seems to be a growing demand for the latest hits on the needle-type records. We find new customers in our store every day and they can't resist, when they hear those TED LEWIS hits on the Columbia records. You'll fall for these Fox Trots, sure as you're born.

A NEW GULBRANSEN straight piano at \$275.00 can't be beat for the price. We have them in oak or mahogany. Trade your phonograph in as part pay. Easy terms on the balance.

GULBRANSEN PLAYER-PIANOS at \$420.00 and \$495.00. Price burned into the back of every one of them at the factory. EASY TO PLAY—that's the trademark. EASY TO PAY for—that's a fact.

Edison phonographs in any model are now ready for delivery. Take your choice and we'll arrange the terms to suit. Late records all the time.

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All druggists. Be sure to get the genuine.

DR. BELL'S Pine-Tar Honey

## AIRPLANE DUSTS POISON ON MALARIAL MOSQUITO OLARVAE

In the course of experimental poison dusting by means of airplanes for the control of the boll weevil in Louisiana, the Bureau of Entomology, of the United States Department of Agriculture, recently made an experiment with the use of the same method for the control of malarial-bearing mosquitoes.

The region around Mound, La., is very swampy and badly infested with malarial mosquitoes. It is only about 18 miles from Tallulah, where the boll weevil poison dusting was carried on. The Air Service of the United States Army supplied the same specially equipped airplane used in the boll weevil campaign. Paris green was the poison dust used to attack the mosquitoes. It was heavily diluted with Tripoli earth.

The experiment proved very successful. The planes could fly over parts of the swamps which otherwise were inaccessible. The trees did not interfere with the spreading of the poison dust, for the machines flew sufficiently high to avoid contact and circled them to apply it to the surrounding bog.

The use of Paris green, highly diluted with road dust or some similar substance, is recommended in certain cases by the United States Public Health Service. The airplane offers a wholesale method of application.

The Standard \$1.50 per year.

## TRY PAY CUT TO MAKE HIM MEAN

Can you look mean?

Can you so arrange your facial expressions so that people will say to themselves—"gosh all fishhooks, will you look at that mean face?"

That is the predicament that confronted the stars when they first started production on the screen adaptation of "The Meanest Man in the World".

Eddie Cline, who was in charge of the direction of the feature, called the principal players together on the "set" at Principal Pictures studios, Hollywood.

"Now folks," began Cline, "this is a mean task to place on your shoulders, but it has to be done. Bert Lytell here, is going to enact 'the meanest man in the world' and you all know Bert—you all know what a fine chap he is and that he has always got a broad grin or smile on his face. Now how the heck is Bert going to look mean in this picture when he never had a mean look on his face in his life?"

"Tell him you are going to cut his part in half," suggested Blanche Sweet, who was assigned to play opposite Lytell.

"No, I have a better plan," said Sol Lesser, president of Principal Pictures Corporation, who happened to come along just then.

"Great!" cried Cline. "Let's have it, Mr. Lesser."

"Tell him I'm going to cut his salary in half," said the producer with a broad smile.

Lytell at once looked mean enough to fight.

But funny to say, "the man" in this rip-roaring First National attraction is not mean at all. The poor chap is a financial failure just because he can't be mean—just because he has never learned to say NO. That is the story, you see. As a matter of fact, the only mean character in the story is Carl Stockdale, playing the role of a swindler in the town of Hudsonville. And between ourselves, "off stage", Stockdale is as loveable a man as anybody would wish to meet.

When George M. Cohan starred in the stage play of this name, everybody wondered just what sort of a play it was. To think that Cohan, noted for his comedy expressions and antics would enact the role of a mean man was quite unthinkable. The same condition prevails with Lytell. This star of the silver sheet has always enacted roles in which

he is the hero—in which he is the kindly "friend in need". And in the case of "The Meanest Man in the World" Lytell, while he tries to be mean and look mean, simply cannot and proves in the end that he is indeed the "friend in need".

"The Meanest Man in the World" is said to be one of the big pictures of the season. No thought of time or expense was attached to the production. Principal Pictures Corporation wanted to give the screen equally as excellent a film presentation as did George M. Cohan when he offered the footlight vehicle in New York City which, incidentally, had one of the most successful "runs" in the history of theatricals in New York.

The cast of this production was selected with utmost care. It can be rated as all-star in every sense of the word. In addition to Bert Lytell, Blanche Sweet and Bryant Washburn, there are other names of importance and well known to the film lovers of the world. These include Victor Potel, Forest Robinson, William Conklin, Carl Stockdale, Maryon Aye, Helen Lynch, Warde Crane, Frances Raymond. There are others, too—but wait and see this First National picture Saturday at the Malone Theatre and you will have the pleasure of seeing each and every one of the silver sheet of this playhouse.

## County Court Matter

Mrs. Minnie Chism, temporary relief, \$20.

In matter of Benton-Charleston road, property owners and court can not agree in matter of damages as follows: Lee Spencer \$800, J. W. Moore \$800, A. Wilhelm \$500, Marshall Land & Merc. Co. \$646, R. L. Buck \$600, court orders proceedings certified to circuit court.

G. J. Arnold, freight, etc., \$98.29.

Ordered that matter of school loan of S. Gibbs of Vanduser be investigated with a view of foreclosure.

A. L. Paschal is appointed road overseer in district 14, and E. E. Grant in district 13.

Annual settlement of Emil Steck, collector, is accepted.

\$10 construction and \$3.33 maintenance money ordered transferred from district 15 to district 12; and \$88.03 construction and \$22.01 maintenance money from district 14 to 15; errors.

J. S. Smith, fees, \$517.20.—Benton Democrat.

Mrs. Harry McFarling of Morehouse was in Sikeston, Friday.

## Richard Dix Had Great Time Playing Role in "Icebound"

Richard Dix had a glorious time playing Ben Jordan in William de Mille's Paramount production of "Icebound", the film version of Clara Beranger of Owen Davis' Pulitzer prize play which comes to the Malone Theatre next Monday to remain for two days.

"Ben is real", said Dix. "He isn't all good or all bad. He's neither a hero with a halo or a villain with a cloven hoof, but just like most young fellows."

"I like Ben. I like him because he is willing to fight. I like him, too, because he has sturdy sentiments, and, despite his rearing in the repressed Jordan family, lets his emotions sway him. Sometimes Ben is mean and says hard things and makes himself thoroughly disliked; at others he is gentle and kindly. In short, Ben isn't the conventional lead in a moving picture."

"He is one of the most unusual characters I've played on the stage or screen, and I like every moment of him. One moment the audiences will like him and the next they won't. In the end they will realize that he is just a human being, while they may not approve of everything he has done."

"I know Ben. I know many Bens. He went to war; he left his own people and sailed for the battlefields of Europe. His own people were cold—like the land they lived off. In France he met the cheeriness of family life, the smiles of children and the dancing eyes of a pretty girl. Here was warmth—warmth like their land."

"To return to his former life in New England to work a frozen farm, to live among his own people who never smiled and who wore no pretty clothes, was impossible for Ben. When a pretty girl in a bright dress came before him, he hugged her to him. It was this dress made by the girl who loved him and stolen and worn by her rival, that created the climax in his life."

"That is the psychology of Ben—to me. Like so many he was the victim of environment and the reason he rebelled against his surroundings was not that he was innately 'mean' but that his soul underneath was crying for a little warmth, sunshine and happiness. And, after all, how many of us are like that!"

Lois Wilson plays the leading role opposite Dix, and the other important parts are played by Vera Reynolds, Edna May Oliver, Ethel Wales, Mary Foy, Helen Dubois, Alice Chapin, Joseph Depew, Frank Shannon and John Daly Murphy.

## Archaic Blue Laws

There are already 7000 cases against violators of the New Jersey "blue laws" on the docket in Hudson County and the coming Sunday is expected to swell the number if the archaic statutes are enforced. Though it is a far cry from 1798 to 1924, radio outfits and phonographs must be silent, for the eighteenth century laws proscribed all kind of music in the homes on Sunday. The automobile comes in for a better deal, as the law was amended in 1893 allowing Sunday riding in carriages, which includes this modern means of conveyance. Another amendment allows the sale of newspapers, and still another the delivery of milk. But practically all other Sunday activities, with the exception of church-going, are unlawful and the community is virtually 100 per cent a violator of the law.

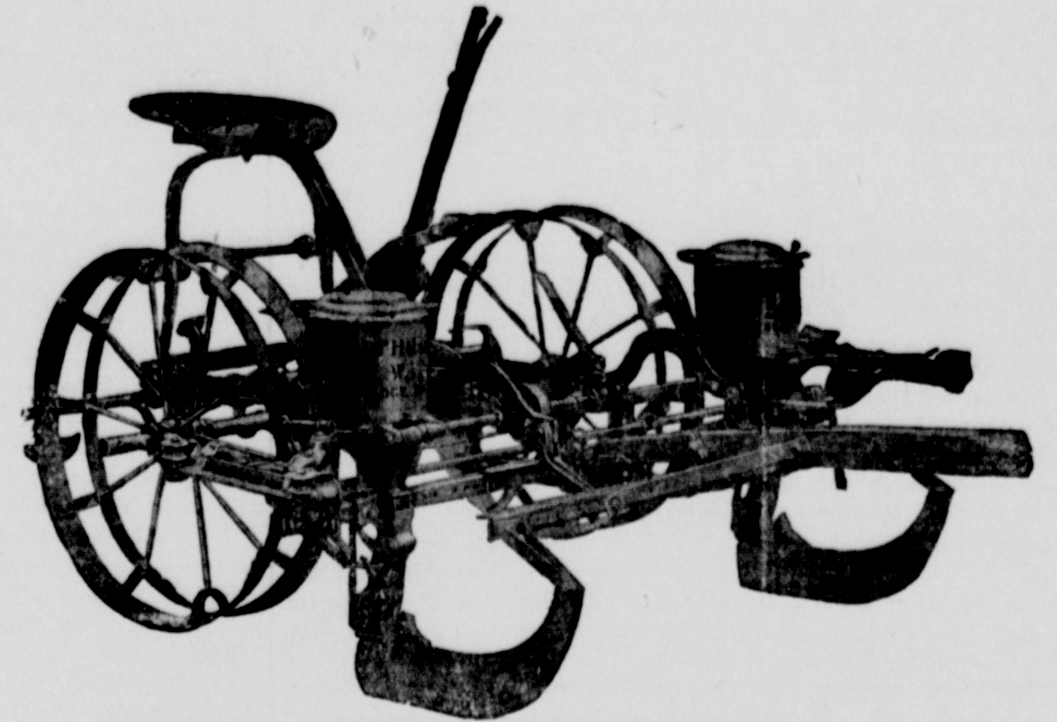
It has been pointed out that under a strict interpretation, no public utility could be operated on Sunday and that telephones and electric lights and water would have to be shut off for the day. Any travel out of town or into it also would be virtually at a standstill.

The first amendment, which was enacted in 1804, is the cause of the present trouble, necessary as that amendment was and always will be, for this first amendment allowed policemen to work on the Sabbath. If they expect to enforce the statute in any way they will have to work in strict instructions to see that all violations are reported. The authorities are making a little demonstration to the Legislature for the purpose of having these idiotic provisions struck from the statute books. Legislatures generally should repeal such laws wherever they exist.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

One coquettish little hat seen in Paris today is built along the lines of a man's derby. But its brim turns up all the way round. It is made of black straw braid and on top of the crown in the middle of the front is a big white rose.

There is no such thing as a plain shoe in New York at present. Madame and maid alike wear dainty fragile cutout sandals.

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We offer in this two row planter the last word in planters. Does not waste the seed, but gives a perfect stand. It is a 98 per cent perfect corn planter and we are selling them at the prewar price and give our personal guarantee that there is no better than the

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## DAY OF NARROW ROAD HAS NOW GONE BY

Don't build the road narrow. But however it is built, have a right of way ample enough to provide for widening in the future. On these two hang all the law and the profits of modern road building!

An expensive fault of the narrow road is the concentration of traffic. Wheels moving constantly over the same places produce parallel lines of excessive wear. To prevent rapid disintegration of a single track road a heavier foundation and surface is needed than is required for a wider road.

Substantial shoulders at the sides on which the passing traffic may turn out are also necessary, as otherwise the wheels of vehicles turning out to pass will quickly wear ruts at the edges. In these water collects, to penetrate beneath the foundation, with disastrous results. A narrow road with soft earth shoulders is dangerous to motor traffic in slippery weather.

To build the heavier foundation and surface needed to bear the concentration of traffic on a narrow road, and the substantial shoulders at the sides, requires as much money as to build a wider road. On a wide road, traffic is scattered, and wear is distributed. With a paved surface sufficiently wide for two lines of rapidly moving vehicles to pass in safety,

the necessity for artificial shoulders is eliminated. To build a narrow road, thin and without shoulders, means a loss of the entire investment in a comparatively short time.

A narrow right of way requires drainage ditches close to the travel. With no shoulder between paved surface and ditch the chances of serious accident are largely increased. All drainage ditches tend to become deeper, so that the danger to traffic becomes constantly greater.

Before any program for beautification of highways is undertaken, some assurance that the rights of way are wide enough to accommodate future traffic should be had.

Motor vehicle traffic will increase as the mileage of hard roads increases. A general extension in the width of wearing surfaces will call for wider rights of way. To obtain wider rights of way now means an ultimate saving of a large sum of money and will prevent many future difficulties.

Mrs. Horatio N. Slater of Boston has invented a snow plow and snow remover that has enlisted the attention of the Government. The invention has been offered to Mayor Curley of Boston and it will probably be given tests there.

Mme. Clair Eliasco, American wife of a Constantinople banker, has received 10 decorations from foreign countries.

Grease the inside of the casserole when baking beans, using a piece of fat pork. The beans will be much easier to serve if this is done.

The youngest widow pensioner of a soldier of the War of 1812 is Mrs. A. I. Anderson of Cedar Grove, Ga., who is 64 years of age and was married at the age of 22, her husband being 86 at the time of the ceremony.

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Cleanses mouth and teeth and aids digestion. Relieves that over-eaten feeling and acid mouth.

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Wrigley's is double value in the benefit and pleasure it provides.

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WHEN children play leap frog and other strenuous games they spend great energy—which helps them grow. But that energy is replaced and stored up in their sturdy bodies when they eat food which contains the highly nutritive element known as Dextrose.

Because there is such a large percentage of Dextrose in Karo, either Blue Label or Red

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Buy 5 cans of Karo from your grocer, send labels to address above with 40c and you will receive the Syrup Pitcher by parcel post.





## A Big Drainage Project

Jefferson City, April 11.—Plans are being made to obtain federal aid for the largest drainage project ever contemplated, including more than 60 million acres of land in Southeast Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee and Arkansas, at an estimated cost of from 35 million to 40 million dollars. This was learned here today through Roy Godsey, sectional bulletin writer of the state board of agriculture, and information received from the chamber of commerce of Gideon, New Madrid, County.

Eight counties in Southeast Missouri are included in the project and more than 20 million persons will be affected by it, according to estimates.

It is planned by the Gideon Chamber of Commerce and others back of the movement to take up in congress, through Missouri, Kentucky, Illinois, Tennessee and Arkansas members, this vast drainage proposition.

Those sponsoring the movement declare that "the government should help take the water off the land in Missouri, and other Mississippi Valley states, just as it helps put land in arid regions of the West by the construction of huge dams and reservoirs."

Arrangements are being made in Southeast Missouri to obtain engineers to make a complete survey of

the region for which the drainage plans are being made. They intend to have the survey include the approximate acreage of land now under cultivation, the approximate yield on it in the last five years and the probable yield from it under successful drainage conditions. They desire this information, they say, as proof of the annual loss to agricultural prosperity through the lack of drainage. This information, together with the engineer's survey of the region, will be presented to congress.

The matter already has been taken up tentatively with several representatives and senators in congress, including Senator Pat Harrison of Mississippi, Senator Cummings of Iowa, Senator Seldon P. Spencer of Missouri, and others, according to Mr. Godsey, all of whom have expressed keen interest in the proposed project.

General Robert E. Lee, the great Confederate leader, left a thought that would make mighty good reading for a lot of our public officials now days. At the close of the Civil War, he was offered \$50,000 a year to lend his name to an insurance company as president. He needed the money, but he replied, "Don't you think if my name is worth \$50,000, I ought to be very careful about taking care of it?"—Nodaway Democrat-Forum.

## SOME SCOTT COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

Louis Clingsmith to F. X. Schumacher, lots 3, 4 block 4 Lambert, \$200.

E. L. Griffin to S. H. Hampton, lot 10 and part lot 11 block 35 McCoy-Tanner 7th addition, Sikeston, \$1.

X. Schenider to S. H. Hampton, lots 8 and 9 block 35 McCoy-Tanner 7th addition, Sikeston, \$325.

W. A. Humphrey to Leo Lane, lot 12 block 11 Chaffee, \$1400.

W. W. Robertson to W. H. Heisserer, north 53 feet lot 45 Benton, \$1100.

Mary Robertson and Carrie Pauli to W. H. Heisserer, part lot 45 Benton, \$20.

J. H. Galeener to Tom Dickerson, 119.26 acres and other lands in 18-27-13, \$55.

W. F. Dossett and Homer Nafziger to Leo Becker, 161.20 acres 1-27-14, \$9000.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to Gussie Roberts, lot 7 block 5 Sunset addition Sikeston, \$135.

Earl Alberson et al to Wm. Pfeifferkorn, outblock 45 Chaffee, \$25.

John Alberson et al to Wm. Pfeifferkorn, lot 26 block 6 Chaffee, \$45.

N. F. Anderson to Mrs. James Murray, lots 127 Oakdale cemetery, \$12.50.

J. E. Kinkad and W. L. Tomlinson to Martin Summers, lots 1, 2, 3 block 3 Hardy & Keeley addition Fornfelt, \$510.

Mary Scherer to George Scherer, 1 5-16 acres 29-29-14, \$145.

Paul, Ralph and Marie Halter to Charles Slinkard, 82 acres 26-29-12, \$500.

Security Savings Bank to R. W. Finley, part lot 8 block 44 Chaffee, \$650.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to Addie Bowens, lot 7 block 2 Sunset addition Sikeston, \$135.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to Leo Tenkhoff, part lots 9 and 10 block 19 Oran, \$2000.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to C. H. Shively, lots 1 to 12 block 10 Matthews 2nd addition Oran, \$1200.

A. J. Matthews & Co. to T. P. Arch and John Russell, lot 15 block 2 Sikeston, \$2000.

Chaffee I. O. O. F. Lodge to C. E. Clark, lots 1, 2 block 39 Chaffee, \$800.

A. J. Matthews & Co., to Southeast Missouri Lumber Co., lots 10, 11 block 5 Vanduser, \$200.

C. & A. J. Matthews to R. L. Taylor, lots 1 to 4 block 1 Matthews 3rd addition Vanduser, \$10.

Geo. Scherer to Mary Scherer, 3/4 acre 22-29-14, \$1.

W. H. Tanner to France Smith, lot 11 block 7 McCoy-Tanner 9th addition Sikeston, \$1300.

Donald McLees to Jesse Sheppard, lot 5 block 2 Doom addition Ilmo, \$30.

Dock Eldridge to Julia Miller, lots 1, 2, 3 block 2 Eastern A addition Chaffee, \$50.

L. S. McConachie to Alvin Klages, lot 20 block 42 Chaffee, \$1750.

A. C. Sikes to J. S. Kevil, part outblock 39, Sikeston, \$1.

H. C. Young to Theresa Simler, lot 10 block 7 Chamber of Commerce addition Sikeston, \$300.

J. F. Diebold to Louis Carroll, lot 28 Rockview, \$525.

L. B. Kornegger to N. D. Kornegger, lot 5 and part lot 4 block 5 McCoy-Tanner 1st addition Sikeston, \$1.

L. D. Randol to J. H. Barrett, lots 1, 2 block 31 McCoy-Tanner 6th addition Sikeston, \$1800.

Frances Tanner to A. B. Buchanan, part outblock 28 19-16-14, \$300.—Benton Democrat.

The Sikeston Standard, \$1.50 year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hux, Mrs. O. M. Hux, Mrs. Willis and Mrs. Taylor of Essex were in Sikeston, shopping Friday.

Otis Joslyn and W. U. Meyers, local insurance agents of Charleston, spent Friday morning in this city, on business.

History has been made in the Blanton family in Paris, according to the Monroe County Appeal. Forty years ago the B. F. Blanton family moved into a new home. One night last week was the first time the house has been unoccupied in all that time and the first time its doors had been locked.—Cape Missourian.

James P. Boyd, former Speaker of the House, has the right idea about one of our pressing education problems. Instead of letting a state superintendent say what is or what is not a standard high school, changing standards from time to time and keeping local districts in a condition of uncertainty, Boyd would have the legislature define a standard high school after consulting with recognized authorities in the educational world. This should be followed up by the adoption of uniform textbooks for Missouri schools, such books to be manufactured by the state and distributed at cost.—Paris Appeal.



## PRIDE IN APPEARANCE

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We knew that men would respond to our "Pride in Appearance" Event. We didn't know they would respond with the enthusiasm they have shown—but we were prepared!

For months beforehand, we have been combing the market, laying in stocks of the best things we could find—up to the minute neckwear, smart hats, fine hosiery, the new things in shirts. And an assortment of Society Brand Clothes—the very best in the country—such as we have never had before.

We especially want you to see the new loose, easy styles—broad shouldered coats, straight, wide trousers. Made up in fabrics that set off their fine points—powder blues, grays, plain shades, neat stripes.

We are still ready!

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## The True Aristocracy

There is an aristocracy. I claim to belong. There is one exclusive set I believe in.

It is composed of people who are clean.

With my proletariat brethren I join in the howl against all privileged classes, except this one.

Down with kings, dukes, smart sets, millionaires, snobs and all segregated superiorities, but spare those who wash!

There is a limit to my democracy. I draw the line at dirt. When it comes to smells, either horsey smells or those purchased at the drug store, I am an aristocrat.

I am a lover of the poor and down-trodden, as a matter of principle. As a matter of fact there are instances in which I recoil.

remains stubbornly aristocratic.

I believe in the aristocracy of soap and water.

Universal brotherhood is all right, to a certain extent; but not in microbes. My philanthropy does not extend to bacilli.

When a fellowship means typhoid fever and a number of other diseases, that don't look pretty in print, I take my stand in the haughty society of carbolic acid, listerine and sapollo.

The true aristocracy is antisepticism.

It was a deep instinct that led the founders of most religions to impose baptism as a preliminary rite to ad-joining the brotherhood, because without cleanliness there can be no brotherhood except the brotherhood of death.

And cleanliness applies to thoughts

and emotions as well as to bodies.

I don't much mind what any man thinks, he may be as radical or as crazy as he chooses. I can get along with him, provided his thought is not nasty.

My religious, political, social and philosophical program is wide enough for anything except dirt.

Being clean is not a matter of money, nor of station in life. I have seen grand duchesses who were untidy, marquises who bathed rarely, and poor families who lived on a dollar and a half a day and were neat as a pin.

Cleanliness can of course be carried to excess. So can every good thing, even goodness. The Italians have a proverb, Tanto buon che val niente" (so good he's good for nothing).—Dr. Frank Crane.

The Sikeston Standard, \$1.50 year.

The Mexico Ledger reports the beginning of the construction of a new 1100-foot well which is to bring relief to Mexico from a present water shortage. The cost of the new well will be \$26,000 and it will remove all danger of a water shortage again.

A milling firm of Harbin, China has offered for sale in the local market flour ground from imported American wheat. This wheat was imported via Dairen and amounted to only a few carloads, as the local miller wished to experiment first. However, as the grade of flour obtained from this wheat is very much cheaper and is superior to the local product, it is believed that the flour ground from American wheat will occupy first place in the local market in the future. The mill is also placing on the market a new grade of flour in original American packing.